Alaska Board of Fisheries RESOLUTION: FUNDING FOR FISHERY STOCK COMPOSITION #2002 - 211 - FB

WHEREAS, the Alaska Board of Fisheries has reviewed many proposals to modify fishery allocations at virtually every Board of Fisheries meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Board of Fisheries has unsuccessfully tried to obtain new information regarding stock composition in various fishing areas around the state; and

WHEREAS, when reviewing the concerns and issues regarding fisheries allocations it is extremely difficult to address aspects of the Board of Fisheries' Mixed Stock Policy and Sustainable Salmon Fisheries Policy without recent and accurate stock separation information;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF FISHERIES RESOLVES THAT the legislature of the State of Alaska appropriate funding for the Department of Fish and Game to assess and identify the salmon stocks available to salmon fishermen on an ongoing basis in order to resolve many longstanding issues concerning fishery-specific stock composition, stock-specific exploitation rates, and fishery allocations.

DATED: January 14, 2002

Anchorage, Alaska

Ed Dersham, Chair

VOTE: 6 - 0 - 1

(Nelson absent)