

## RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN 2015 REVISION

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is the agency entrusted with the management and conservation of North Carolina's wildlife resources for the enjoyment of all people; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Wildlife Action Plan, a comprehensive fish and wildlife management plan, was developed in 2005 with appropriations by the United States Congress for the State Wildlife Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Wildlife Action Plan, in conjunction with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission's Strategic Plan, provides a conservation blueprint to guide and direct statewide wildlife diversity conservation priorities, emphasizing the use of best available science to keep common species common; and

WHEREAS, Congress has mandated that the state's eligibility for receiving State Wildlife Grants for management of non-game species is dependent upon maintaining the approved North Carolina Wildlife Action Plan and subsequent revisions; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Wildlife Action Plan has undergone revision by North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission staff in concert with numerous federal, state and local partners and stakeholders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission endorses the revised North Carolina Wildlife Action Plan as the blueprint for comprehensive management of wildlife resources in North Carolina.

This resolution was introduced by Wildlife Commissioner Mark Craig and unanimously approved by acclamation by the Wildlife Resources Commission in its duly assembled meeting on August 27, 2015 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

John Litton Clark

Chairman

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