

Resolution Subject Daniel R. Leonard Memorial Resolution

Text of Resolution *Whereas*, Daniel R. Leonard was born in Providence, Rhode Island on March 31, 1947, and died 61 years later on September 22, 2008; and

Whereas, Dan loved the shellfish business and worked with distinction in both Rhode Island and Florida and was affectionately known as the “Clammah”; and

Whereas, Dan helped commercial fishermen in southwest Florida recover from the devastating effects of the 1994 Net Ban by having the vision and drive to help launch the hard clam industry by obtaining the first aquaculture lease in southwest Florida in 1993; and

Whereas, Dan and his wife Carol owned and operated Bull Bay Clam Farm; and

Whereas, Dan’s tireless work helped the hard clam industry in Florida grow from infancy to one that generated tens of millions of dollars in economic impact and employed hundreds of people; and

Whereas, Dan volunteered his time to both the clam industry and the oyster industry in Florida, through his work with the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute's shellfish aquaculture training program, the Statewide Clam Industry Taskforce, and many other groups; and

Whereas, Dan served as Region 4 Industry Representative to the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference Executive Board; and

Whereas, fishermen, scientists and public health professionals on the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference all grew to respect Dan’s passion for shellfish, his smile and his love for life,

Be It Therefore Resolved that the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference formally recognizes Dan Leonard’s dedication to advancing public health standards for consumers of shellfish and his contribution to the National Shellfish Sanitation Program.

Be It Therefore Further Resolved that the Executive Board, Executive Committee, Office Staff and Membership of the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference wish to extend their deepest sympathies and condolences to Dan’s family.

Action by 2009 Resolutions Committee Recommended adoption of Resolution 09-005 as submitted.

Action by 2009 Executive Board Recommended adoption of Resolutions Committee recommendation on Resolution 09-005.

Action by 2009 General Assembly Adopted recommendation of Executive Board on Resolution 09-005.

Action by USFDA 02/16/2010 Concurred with Conference action on Resolution 09-005.