



IN APPRECIATION OF

## The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 Spring Director's Meeting of the Southeast Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (SEAFWA) was held on May 13-15, 2016, at the Etowah Valley Golf & Resort, in Etowah, North Carolina, *The Tar Heel State*; and,

**WHEREAS**, Gordon S. Myers, Executive Director of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and his talented staff have planned and provided an excellent opportunity for the exchange of important information among attendees and stimulating discussions of items of mutual concern and interest; and

**WHEREAS**, this 2016 Spring Director's Meeting of the SEAFWA directors has facilitated abundant discussions, both informal and formal regarding wildlife resource management and the challenges for the sustained success of those renewable resources; and

**WHEREAS**, our gracious hosts in North Carolina, *The Tar Heel State*, have provided an excellent location at Etowah Valley Golf & Resort where the Resort is situated perfectly within the mountains of Western North Carolina a short drive from Asheville, where guests have an abundance of things to do including visiting the Biltmore House, DuPont Forest, Pisgah National Forest, the Blue Ridge Parkway, Sliding Rock or Chimney Rock Park and where there is no shortage of activities within the beautiful Smoky Mountains; and

**WHEREAS**, the Great State of North Carolina - *The Tar Heel State* and the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, serving as our gracious hosts, have provided for Fishing the Delayed Harvest section of the Little River in DuPont State Forest, Fishing small streams on the Pisgah National Forest for wild trout, an Elevation Birding Tour from Pisgah National Forest towards the higher elevations of the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the Box Drill Training activity designed to test your decision making skills as a law enforcement officer conducted by N.C. Wildlife Law Enforcement Officers.

**NOW**, therefore, be it resolved that the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies expresses its sincere gratitude and warmest appreciation to the Great State of North Carolina, *The Tar Heel State*, and the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for hosting an outstanding 2016 SEAFWA Spring Director's Meeting.

**ADOPTED** by the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies in official session at the Etowah Valley Golf & Resort in Etowah, North Carolina, *The Tarheel State*, on May 15, 2016.