July 25, 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR:    Maria Brown
                     Superintendent, GFNMS

FROM:    Richard Charter
          Chair, GFNMS Sanctuary Advisory Council

SUBJECT: Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council Resolution

On July 25, 2008 the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council passed a Resolution, supporting the California Department of Fish and Game process to implement the Marine Life Protection Act within GFNMS, and supporting the designation of state marine protected areas within GFNMS that further protect sanctuary resources.

Attachments

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Whereas, the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary (GFNMS) was originally established, in large part, to protect world-class concentrations of seabirds and marine mammals and their breeding habitat and food source areas located within sanctuary boundaries; and

Whereas, the California Department of Fish and Game is considering the creation of certain marine protected areas within the state waters pursuant to the California Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) within GFNMS managed waters.

Therefore be it resolved, that the GFNMS Advisory Council supports the California Department of Fish and Game process to implement the Marine Life Protection Act within GFNMS, and supports the designation of state marine protected areas within GFNMS that further protect sanctuary resources.