

RESOLUTION #2008-3

RECOGNITION OF THE CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP, PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND LONG-TERM SUCCESS OF THE STATE AND PROVINCIAL AGENCY MEMBERS OF THE MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES

WHEREAS, the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies was first organized in 1934 to address “the need for unified efforts in fish and game matters in the Midwest section of the country;” and

WHEREAS, the states and provinces of the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies have met annually for the last 75 years to develop and advance shared conservation goals; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies has relied on the commitment of agency leaders to find time to work on issues that cross geographic and organizational boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies has also played a crucial role in fostering a closer relationship between state and provincial agencies and their federal and nongovernmental partners; and

WHEREAS, the strong relationships and collegiality fostered by the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies have provided a platform for effective collaboration on issues ranging from interstate law enforcement and wildlife recreation to habitat conservation and wildlife health; and

WHEREAS, the initiative of the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies has fostered the emergence of the Midwest region as a national leader on important issues like Farm Bill implementation, aquatic nuisance species control and public access to private lands.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies at its annual meeting in Estes Park, Colorado, on July 2, 2008, acknowledges and thanks the wildlife agency personnel and other conservation leaders whose dedication and sacrifice has supported the work of the Association for the last 75 years.