<u>Motions from the May 20-22 Marine Fisheries Commission Business Meeting</u>

Motion by Chuck Laughridge to approve the meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Mark Gorges.
Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Chuck Laughridge to fund up to $10,000 from the Conservation Fund for the James Francesconi Memorial Artificial Reef project. Motion seconded by Anna Beckwith.
Motion passes unanimously.

<u>Southern Flounder</u>
Motion by Alison Willis to terminate the supplement process and request the secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to immediately modify the existing Fishery Management Plan Schedule to move forward with an expedited amendment process based on the regionality and complexity of the fishery. Motion seconded by Mikey Daniels.
Motion fails 2-6.

Amended motion offered by Chuck Laughridge to replace "to terminate the supplement process" with "and request the secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to immediately modify the existing Fishery Management Plan Schedule to move forward with an expedited amendment process based on regionality and complexity of the fishery." Motion seconded by Mikey Daniels.
Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Chuck Laughridge to proceed with a supplement, presenting the six options, and ask the secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to proceed with an amendment. Motion seconded by Kelly Darden.
Motion passes 8-0.

Motion by Alison Willis to direct the Division of Marine Fisheries to hold three public meetings (northern, central, southern) on the draft Southern Flounder Supplement and direct the division and its staff to present the draft supplement. Motion seconded by Mikey Daniels.
Motion withdrawn.

Friendly amendment by Chuck Laughridge to direct the Division of Marine Fisheries to hold one Marine Fisheries Commission meeting at a central location to receive public comment on the draft Southern Flounder Supplement.
Motion postponed.
Motion withdrawn.

<u>Spotted Seatrout</u>
Motion by Anna Beckwith to direct the Division of Marine Fisheries to prepare the Marine Fisheries Commission's annual Fishery Management Plan Schedule for its August 2015 business meeting to reflect the review of the Spotted Seatrout Fishery Management Plan to begin in 2017.
Motion seconded by Chuck Laughridge.
Motion passes 7-0.

Kingfish
Motion by Chuck Laughridge to proceed with the Kingfish Fishery Management Plan review as an information update. Motion seconded by Alison Willis.
Motion passes 8-0.

Sheepshead
Motion by Mike Wicker to implement a 10-fish recreational bag limit for sheepshead and 10-fish bag limit for all spearing or gigging of sheepshead. Motion seconded by Mikey Daniels.
Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Anna Beckwith to support the Division of Marine Fisheries' position for sheepshead of a 10-inch fork length minimum size limit for both the recreational and commercial sectors; a 10-fish bag limit for recreational sector; a 10-fish limit for commercial spears and gigs, per person per day or per trip if a trip occurs over more than one calendar day; and a 300-pound commercial trip limit for all other gears, exempting pound nets from the commercial trip limit. Motion seconded by Chuck Laughridge.
Motion passes 4-2, with one abstention.

Motion by Alison Willis to amend the motion by Anna Beckwith and strike commercial trip limits, except for spearfishing and gigging. Motion seconded by Mikey Daniels.
Motion fails 3-4.

Substitute motion by Chuck Laughridge to Allison Willis' motion that accepts the Division of Marine Fisheries' position.
Motion fails for lack of second.

Striped Mullet
Motion by Chuck Laughridge to approve notice of text for rulemaking and the associated regulatory impact analysis for the N.C. Striped Mullet Fishery Management Plan Amendment 1. Motion seconded by Kelly Darden.
Motion passes 6-1.

Rulemaking - Notice of Text
Motion by Chuck Laughridge to approve notice of text for rulemaking and the associated regulatory impact analysis for 15A NCAC 03R .0108. Motion seconded by Kelly Darden.
Motion passes 6-1.