IN THE SENATE

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 103

BY RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND TO THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION REPRESENTING THE STATE OF IDAHO IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

WHEREAS, the economic expansion that is stimulated by the new and increased demand for our seafood products vastly influences our United States economic base; and

WHEREAS, the United States seafood industry is fruitfully productive and a key employer in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the continuing market effort is the dynamic behind industry improvement, investment, prosperity and job creation; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is key to the salmon industry in the United States as we are the spawning beds for millions of salmon each year that migrate to the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's rivers constitute the pathway that returning salmon use to complete their life cycles from smolt to spawning salmon; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and Idaho Power have participated in ensuring a healthy pathway for fish to travel to and return from the Pacific Ocean.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature, the Senate and the House of Representatives concurring therein, that we respectfully recommend that the Idaho delegation in Congress work together with representatives of other seafood and fish-producing states to acquire sufficient funding for effectual and maintained domestic marketing of American seafood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, and the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States.