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DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION: SMALL MESH TRAWL SQUID FISHERY SEASON EXTENSION

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c. 30A, §3, and under the authority of G.L. c. 130, §§17A, 21 and 80 and 322 CMR §§4.06(5)(a)(2) and 7.01(7), the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries hereby issues the following declaration to extend the small mesh trawl squid fishery:

- 1. During the period of June 10, 2022 through June 15, 2022, vessels fishing with net mesh that measures less than 6 ½ inch may fish in those waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth within small mesh squid trawl exempted area, as described at 322 CMR 4.06(1).**
- 2. All vessels participating in this exempted small mesh fishery shall use net mesh measuring at least 1 7/8".**
- 3. This declaration does not further exempt any fisherman from any other marine fishery laws or regulations set forth at G.L. c. 130 and 322 CMR.**

These permit conditions do not further exempt you from any of the marine fishery laws and regulations set forth at G.L. c. 130 and 322 CMR.

Dated: June 7, 2022

By:

Daniel J. McKiernan, Director