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# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

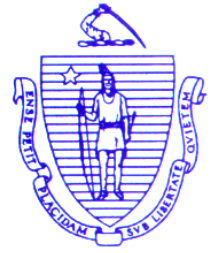
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June 20, 2019

Mayor of Gloucester  
Gloucester City Hall  
9 Dale Avenue  
Gloucester, MA 01930

Dear Mayor Theken:

The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that all shellfish from the below-defined area contain **Paralytic Shellfish Poison** toxin (also known as "Red Tide") from the dinoflagellate *Alexandrium sp.*

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined area has been changed to **CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF ALL SHELLFISH AND CARNIVOROUS SNAILS effective at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, 2019 with the exception of the sea scallop adductor muscle.** Digging, harvesting, or collecting, and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish, including carnivorous snails, from the below-defined area is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined area.

**AREA CLOSED TO THE HARVEST OF BIVALVE SHELLFISH AND  
CARNIVOROUS SNAILS  
with the exception of sea scallop adductor muscles**

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The waters, flats, and tributaries of the Annisquam River and Gloucester Harbor in the City of Gloucester.

Sincerely,

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Director

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