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DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION: INCREASE TO THE 2021 SUMMER FLOUNDER COMMERCIAL PERIOD I TRIP LIMIT

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c.30A, §3 and under the authority of G.L. c.130, §17A and 80, and 322 CMR §§ 6.41(2)(d) and 7.01(7), the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries with the approval of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission, hereby declares:

- 1. Effective 6:00 AM on Friday, January 1, 2021 the summer flounder commercial trip limit for Period I (January 1–April 22) at 322 CMR 6.22(2)(c)(1) shall be increased from 1,000 pounds to 2,000 pounds.**
- 2. The adjustments implemented via this declaration shall expire after April 22, 2021, or when the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries determines that 25% of the Commonwealth's 2021 summer flounder commercial quota has been taken and the Period I trip limit is thereby reduced to 100 pounds. 322 CMR 6.22(2)(c)(2).**

Dated: December 11, 2020

By: _____