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Ladies & Gentlemen,

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that a portion of the Hyannis Harbor shellfish growing area that includes areas within SC27.0 and 27.5 at the mouth of Stewart's Creek (SC27.2) in the town of Barnstable no longer meets the established criteria for a status of "Open to Shellfishing" due to a sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) discharge of untreated sewage on January 28, 2025. The status of the area defined below shall be changed to **"Closed to Shellfishing"** effective at 7:00am on 2/1/2025 for 21 days or until further notification is made by the Division of Marine Fisheries.

Under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, Section 74A, the status of the below-defined area shall be changed to **"Closed to Shellfishing"**. Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish, and the possession of shellfish from the below areas is prohibited until further notice.

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 areas listed below.

STATUS: CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF ALL SHELLFISH

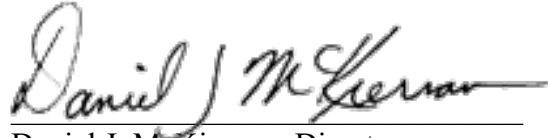
Portions of SC27.0 and SC27.5 as defined below

The waters and flats of that portion of Hyannis Harbor in the Town of Barnstable within a semicircle with a 1000-foot radius south, east and west of the opening to Stewart's Creek (SC27.2)

Individual shellfish growing area definition boundaries are mapped on the Division's website at [Shellfish classification areas | Mass.gov](#).

These shellfish growing areas shall remain in the “**Closed to Shellfishing**” status and will not automatically revert to “Open to Shellfishing” but will remain closed until examined by the Division and notification is made that the areas have been placed in the open status.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel J. McKiernan", written over a horizontal line.

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