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February 21, 2022

Board of Selectmen Town of Oak Bluffs Town Hall Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that a portion of the below defined shellfish growing area, Vineyard Haven Harbor (V10) in the Town of Oak Bluffs, no longer meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish due to the discharge of raw sewage on February 21, 2022. The status of the below defined area will be changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING" effective immediately until further notice.

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A and 322 CMR sections 7.01 (7), the status of the below-defined area has been 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-defined area is prohibited.

CLASSIFICATION: APPROVED Status: Closed to Shellfishing

V10.21 Eastville Beach

"The waters and flats of that portion of Vineyard Haven Harbor in the Town of Oak Bluffs, south of a line extending from the northern tip of the Eastville Beach Jetty to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on the shore at Eastville Ave."

REDEFINITION

CLASSIFICATION: APPROVED Status: Open to Shellfishing

V10.0

Vineyard Haven Outer Harbor

"The waters, flats and all tributaries of Vineyard Haven Harbor, in the Towns of Tisbury and Oak Bluffs, south of a line drawn from East Chop Lighthouse in the Town of Oak Bluffs to the West Chop Lighthouse in the Town of Tisbury, north of a line drawn along the Lagoon Pond Bridge separating Vineyard Haven Harbor from Lagoon Pond, east of a line drawn from the Old Seafood Basin Pier to the end of the Vineyard Haven Breakwater, excluding the Breakwater North Mooring Area (V10.2) and Eastville Beach (V10.21)."

Sincerely,

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