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June 5, 2026

The Honorable Mayor of Boston
City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Winthrop Town Manager
Town Hall
Winthrop, MA 02152

Dear Mayor Wu and Mr. Marino:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the below-defined shellfish classification area North Boston Harbor (GBH5) in the City of Boston and the Town of Winthrop shall be closed to the harvest of shellfish until further notice due to the release of fuel and use of firefighting foam at the Cottage Park Yacht Club in Winthrop in response to a fire. The fire broke out at approximately 3:00 a.m., on Friday, June 5, 2026, and has since been extinguished. As a result, the status of the GBH5 growing area has been changed to "Closed to Shellfishing" effective as of 11:30 a.m., Friday, June 5, 2026.

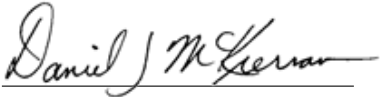
Under authority of Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 75, the below-defined area is closed to the taking of all shellfish. All permits issued under authority of 322 CMR 7.01 and 7.02 are hereby conditioned in accordance with 322 CMR 7.01 (7) to prohibit digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession or sale of shellfish from the below defined areas.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITONALLY RESTRICTED
Status: Closed to Shellfishing

GBH5
North Boston Harbor

"The waters and flats north of a line drawn from the southern extremity of Deer Island to the southern extremity of Logan Airport at Governors Island in Boston."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel J. McKiernan". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Daniel J. McKiernan, Director
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