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June 8, 2025

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Boston, MA 02201

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Hull, MA 02045

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Winthrop, MA 02152

The Honorable Mayor, Town of Weymouth

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E. Weymouth, MA 02189

Town of Hingham Select Board

Town Hall

Hingham, MA 02043

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, Section 74A, all shellfish growing areas classified as CONDITIONALLY RESTRICTED and with a status of "Open to Shellfishing for Depuration" in the Cities of Boston, and Quincy and the Towns of Weymouth, Winthrop, Hull, and Hingham are "Closed to Shellfishing" due to excessive rainfall effective as of 8:15 a.m. Sunday, June 8, 2025.

Under authority of Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 75, the below defined areas are closed to the taking of all shellfish except scallops harvested for the adductor muscle only. 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: CONDITIONALLY RESTRICTED Status: Closed to Shellfishing

Except for harvest of scallops for adductor muscle only

"All Conditionally Restricted areas in GBH 1-3, GBH 5 and GBH 7-9 in Boston Harbor west of a line drawn from Deer Island Point to Boston Light on Little Brewster Island to Point Allerton in Hull."

On Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at sunrise, these areas will revert to an open status, with the exception of GBH3.2 "Causeway" and GBH3.7 "Pleasure Bay", which will revert to an open

status on Friday, June 13, 2025, at sunrise, unless prior notification by the Division indicates the closure must be extended. GBH9, GBH7, and GBH8 remain under a sanitary sewer overflow closure until further notice. Harvest within these Conditionally Restricted shellfish growing areas is subject to the limitations of its classification, Conditional Area Management Plan, and predetermined harvest schedule.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McKiernan, Director MA Division of Marine Fisheries

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