



February 13, 2009

Rick Tebbs
Iowa Conservation Alliance
2905 County Road 103
Ft. Madison, IA 52627

Dear Rick,

The Iowa Chapter of the American Fisheries Society pledges our support to the Iowa Conservation Alliance for efforts to promote the Sustainable Funding for Natural Resources Legislation (HJR 1, SJR 1).

Sustainable Funding for Natural Resources would benefit the State of Iowa with improved water quality, aquatic habitat enhancements, and recreational fishing opportunities. These improvements will positively impact local and state economies. Iowa and non-resident anglers (438,000 anglers over 16 years of age) spend a total of \$323 million annually on fishing expenditures in Iowa (2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife Associated Recreation).

Sustainable Funding for Natural Resources will enhance the quality of life for Iowa's citizens.

Sincerely,

Alan Johnson
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