

June 4, 2009

Hon. Edward M. Kennedy
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Hon John F. Kerry
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Dear Senators Kennedy and Kerry:

As you know, the fishing communities of Massachusetts are at a critical juncture. New regulations and economic restructuring hold our livelihoods and the social fabric of our communities at stake. While we are just one component in the overall economy, employment from our economic activities is contributing to the national recovery effort. We, the undersigned, are Massachusetts residents, owners or employees of Massachusetts fishery-related companies, or individuals who conduct business in Massachusetts ports. With your help, we can continue to create, retain and protect jobs.

We feel strongly that the new Assistant Administrator for Fisheries must have a proven track record, scientific capability, and extensive management experience. We think it would be ideal if the individual is a person capable of taking a fresh approach that balances the prevention of overfishing, the maintenance of optimum yield, and the protection of jobs.

We think that Dr. Brian Rothschild is the person who best fits the requirements for this important position. We know you are in a critical position to support Dr. Rothschild's candidacy. We hope you will help us succeed. Please let us know how best to proceed.

Respectfully,

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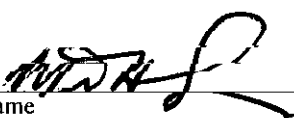
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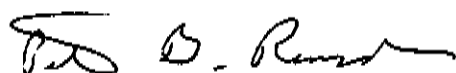
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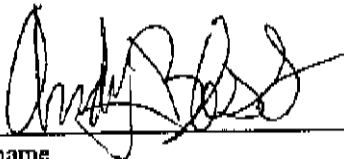
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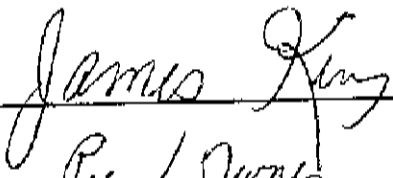
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