

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

November 24, 2015

The Honorable City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Fisheries at a Meeting held on Thursday, August 20, 2015, considered a Written Motion, Councillor Lopes requesting, that the City of New Bedford's Committee on Fisheries consider the recommendation of the Acting Fisheries Commissioner Ronald Labelle, to terminate the commercial dredging of shellfish and only allow the process of relocating shellfish stock for propagation purposes in designated areas. (Ref'd 5/10/12)

On motion by Councillor Alves and seconded by Councillor Morad, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council ADOPTION of the ORDER, Banning Commercial Shell Fishing in Clark's Cove for a 10 year period starting 01/01/2016 until 01/01/2026; but Commercial Bullrakers and Scuba Divers can fish in the Cove but they have to stay 100 feet off the jetties. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES,

Councillor Kerry M. Winterson, Chairman

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