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National Hunting and Fishing Day

California has a rich tradition of hunting and angling that dates back before the state itself and carries forward to this day.

California's sportsmen and women were among the first conservationists to support the establishment of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in order to conserve fish, wildlife and their habitat. California's sportsmen and women generate over \$100 million in support of the conservation efforts including actions to protect elk, antelope, black bear and bank swallows; the conservation and protection of wetlands in 14 counties on both public and private lands; and, the continued conservation of our wildlife areas such as Ash Creek, Honey Lake, Gray Lodge, Napa-Sonoma Marsh and North Grasslands.

In special recognition of National Hunting and Fishing Day, I thank California's sportsmen and women for this conservation legacy and encourage their continued support and dedication to conserving our state's natural resources.

Sincerely,


EDMUND G. BROWN JR.