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Dear Chair Lowman and Council Members:

I applaud the Council for moving decisively to help the recovery of Pacific bluefin tuna. At just 4% of its historic size, this population needs immediate protection across its range. At the November meeting, I encourage the Council to pick a final preferred alternative of a 1-fish daily bag limit for recreationally caught Pacific bluefin and a corresponding three-fish possession limit for multiday trips.

A 1-fish bag limit is the only option that will meet the scientific recommendation to cut the catch of Pacific bluefin by 50% while still allowing recreational fisherman the opportunity to continue their 100-year-old fishery for this coveted species.

By supporting a 1-fish daily bag limit, the Council can do its part in making sure that the bluefin tuna population and the fisheries that depend on it remain healthy for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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