

**Proposed Resolution #B**  
**Requires 2/3 Majority**

**Submitted by:** Patrick Hogan and Tim Muir Jr.  
**MUCC region:** 8  
**Proposed:** December 5, 2020 Conservation Policy Board meeting  
**Title:** Work with the MDNR to add FREE fishing on Mother's Day

- 1 **WHEREAS**, in an effort to increase participation in fishing and the outdoors; and,  
2 **WHEREAS**, adding a free fishing weekend to Mother's Day would satisfy all three R's (Recruit, Retain,  
3 and Reactivate) of the R3 program; and,  
4 **WHEREAS**, this would create opportunities for family members of multiple generations to reconnect,  
5 and spend quality time together outdoors; and,  
6 **WHEREAS**, adding a free fishing weekend would also be useful to various clubs and groups to  
7 schedule outings designed around family participation; and,  
8 **WHEREAS**, Mother's Day is the second Sunday in May, a day on which mothers are particularly  
9 honored by their children; and,  
10 **WHEREAS**, the proportion of children in a single-parent household was 35% in 2000 and 78% of  
11 children with a single parent live with their mother; NOW,  
12 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Michigan United Conservation Clubs work with and  
13 request from the MDNR that future free fishing weekends in the spring be aligned with Mother's Day  
14 in an effort to increase participation in fishing.