

Resolution #1

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Title: **Allow hunters one leftover spring turkey tag**

1 **WHEREAS**, the current regulations allow for hunters to only purchase one spring turkey tag; and,
2 **WHEREAS**, during the 2019 spring season, there were 19,618 unpurchased turkey tags; and,
3 **WHEREAS**, the amount of leftover tags from the 2019 spring turkey season potentially left \$294,270 on
4 the table that could have been otherwise utilized for conservation; and,
5 **WHEREAS**, currently the regulations already allow for unsuccessful applicants, and the general public to
6 purchase one leftover spring turkey tag; and,
7 **WHEREAS**, allowing the purchase of one additional tag would further increase opportunity afield and
8 generate more conservation dollars; and,
9 **WHEREAS**, allowing hunters to purchase leftover spring turkey tags for areas outside of their original
10 hunt zone for a separate hunt period would encourage travel to other hunting zones, generating tourist
11 revenue in areas one would not typically frequent; and,
12 **WHEREAS**, license quotas are set by biologists based upon population survey results for a maximum
13 potential harvest number; NOW,
14 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Michigan United Conservation Clubs work with the Michigan
15 Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Natural Resources Commission to allow spring
16 turkey hunters the opportunity to purchase one leftover turkey tag in addition to their already purchased
17 tag when leftover tags become made available to the general public.