

Proposed Resolution #G
Requires 2/3 Majority

Submitted by: Zach Snyder, Individual Member, Conservation Policy Board Member
Proposed: December 3, 2022 Conservation Policy Board Meeting
Title: Retention of Bear Points

1. **WHEREAS:** There is no guarantee that leftover bear licenses will be available for any hunt or
2. unit; and,
3. **WHEREAS:** Traditionally, only western UP units have any leftover bear tags; and,
4. **WHEREAS:** Leftover licenses are currently sold on a first-come, first-served basis for a one
5. week period prior to the season for unsuccessful applicants, and any remaining licenses are
6. open to the general public one week after that; and,
7. **WHEREAS:** The quotas are set for a target harvest goal, and ensuring these tags are used by
8. active hunters would help achieve these biological goals; and,
9. **WHEREAS:** If a hunter wishes to purchase a leftover bear license, that hunter is forced to
10. relinquish any accrued bear preference points; NOW,
11. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** that Michigan United Conservation Clubs support and
12. advocate through the Natural Resources Commission and Michigan DNR to allow for the
13. retention of a hunter's accrued preference points when purchasing a leftover bear license.