

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107

WHEREAS, aquaculture is an increasingly important source of fish for food consumption in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin has a small but significant industry located in all regions of the state and whose leadership has received national recognition; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's abundant water resources afford this state the opportunity for significant future expansion of aquaculture for food and recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, aquaculture's development provides citizens of this state, especially rural citizens, with the opportunity for jobs and other economic advancement; and

-WHEREAS, the state's encouragement of aquaculture development is necessary to overcome economic, legal, and production constraints which presently discourage private sector investment in aquaculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTHONY S. EARL, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution of Wisconsin, do direct the Secretaries of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), the Department of Development (DOD), and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), in cooperation with personnel at the University of Wisconsin and in consultation with the industry to develop a State Aquaculture Plan by July 1, 1987. Such Plan shall include, but not be limited to:

- A. A description of the current status of aquaculture in Wisconsin;
- B. A review of existing authority of state agencies and the University of Wisconsin as it relates to aquaculture;
- C. An analysis of the potential and limitations of the development of aquaculture in Wisconsin;
- D. A statement of specific recommendations for state agencies and legislation necessary to implement Wisconsin's Aquaculture Plan.

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I.EGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this _____ day of ____ in the year one thousand nine hundred eighty-six.

ANTHONY S. EARL

By the Governor: