

Vermont State Council of Trout Unlimited

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The Honorable Peter Welch

199 Main St. 4th Floor

Burlington, VT 05401

Dear Senator Welch,

The Vermont State Council of Trout Unlimited (VT TU Council) strongly supports your resolution to conserve and restore lake sturgeon populations and appreciates your leadership in advancing this important effort. As you recognize, as one of the oldest fish species, the lake sturgeon serve an important role as an indicator of ecosystem health.

Your commitment to strengthening collaboration, protecting habitat, and raising public awareness is critical to ensuring their future. This resolution is an important step toward preserving not only lake sturgeon, but the health of our Vermont lakes.

Thank you for your continued leadership on conservation.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jared Carpenter

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