

**RESOLUTION OF THE *MONITOR* NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL  
REGARDING OCEAN ACIDIFICATION**

**Passed October 26, 2009**

*Whereas*, the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council recognizes ocean acidification as a significant threat to the long-term conservation and health of sanctuary resources and qualities and,

*Whereas*, the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council believes this threat warrants additional NOAA research, monitoring, education and outreach, and management action to reduce and mitigate its impacts,

*Therefore*, be it resolved, the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council recommends that the Northeast Great Lakes Regional Office take a leadership role in coordinating ocean acidification monitoring with the National Centers for Coastal Ocean Service, the Center for Coastal Fisheries and Habitat Research, other research facilities, and other interested parties.

*Therefore*, be it further resolved, the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council recommends a coordinated approach to ocean acidification issues among all NOAA Sanctuaries.

*Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council  
October 26, 2009