**Ban on Treble Hooks in Catch and Release Stream Sections in Missouri**

1. WHEREAS, treble hooks increase mortality rates in fish which die after being released;
2. AND WHEREAS, these mortality rates can sometimes be caused by the excessive handling of a fish when trying to release that fish from a treble hook;
3. AND WHEREAS, these mortality rates are unnecessary given the opportunity to use less hazardous fishing hooks;
4. AND WHEREAS, a ban on the use of treble hooks in catch and release stream sections would improve mortality rates of released fish.
5. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conservation Federation of Missouri, assembled at the Lodge of Four Seasons this 27th day of February, 2010 recommends a ban on treble hooks in catch and release stream sections in Missouri.