

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2013 Resolutions**

Committee: Deer

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Revaluation of Antlerless Permit Issued

1. **WHEREAS**, Deer permits sales are a valuable asset that accounts for 11.6% of the Missouri
2. Department of Conservation's annual revenue; and,
3. **WHEREAS**, There are 511,000 hunters in the state of Missouri that contribute \$690 million of
4. the state revenue; and,
5. **WHEREAS**, With outbreaks of deer diseases in various counties, deer numbers have experienced a
6. decrease in recent years; and,
7. **WHEREAS**, Public perception of deer numbers in some counties have been unsatisfactory; and,
8. **WHEREAS**, In data that was collected in 2012, there were over 10,000 reported deer deaths from
9. Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD); and,
10. **WHEREAS**, There were many more deer deaths that went unreported: now, therefore, be it
11. **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,
12. Jefferson City, MO, this 24th day of February, 2013, encourages Missouri Department of Conservation
13. resource managers to evaluate county populations and adjust the availability of antlerless permits to
14. maintain deer population numbers that will increase hunter satisfaction after current disease outbreaks.