

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2013 Resolutions**

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CFM Urges the Missouri Department of Conservation to Impose a Moratorium on any New High Fence Hunting/Breeding Facility for Cervids and/or any other Non Native Species that could Negatively Impact Missouri's Native Flora Fauna

1 **WHEREAS**, CWD (Chronic Wasting Disease) is a disease affecting cervids “deer, elk, etc” with
2 potentially devastating negative effects on the population of Missouri Whitetail Deer; and,

3 **WHEREAS**, The economic impact of a healthy deer herd leaving the Missouri landscape would
4 affect us in so many ways:

5 Reduced funds for MDC’s operations

6 Reduced hunting opportunity for Missourians

7 Reduced land values as recreational land values would surely spiral downward

8 Reduce amounts of county tax collections affecting every aspect of life in Missouri; and

9 **WHEREAS**, There are currently three hundred high fence enclosures in Missouri; and,

10 **WHEREAS**, CWD has been found in free roaming whitetail deer populations only in areas in
11 close proximity to high fenced private operations in Missouri: now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,
13 Jefferson City, MO, this 24th day of February, 2013, urges the Missouri Department of Conservation
14 to impose a moratorium on any other non native species that threaten to negatively impact Missouri’s
15 native flora and fauna.