

Wildlife Collector's Permit

1 **WHEREAS**, The Missouri Department of Conservation's Wildlife Collector's Permit (3 CSR 10-9.425
2 Section 2) is in need of revision; and,

3 **WHEREAS**, The Wildlife Collector's Permit can take upwards of three (3) months to be accepted
4 and returned to the applicant after applying, though the permit states "allow 6 weeks for review and
5 processing"; and,

6 **WHEREAS**, "The Wildlife Collector's Permit is not valid until signed by the permit holder" and
7 "the permit is valid for one (1) year from January 1" (3 CSR 10-9.425 Section 2), which limits the
8 actual "one (1)" year of validity, and restricts research ability due to lack of processing speed; and,

9 **WHEREAS**, "Assistants in the field must be under the direct, in-person supervision of the permit
10 holder at all times" (3 CSR 10-9.425 Section 2), which places responsibility for the entirety of scientific
11 collection on the permit holder, directly limiting the value of collection for research by restraining the
12 visited locales during prime collection times, such as breeding seasons: now, therefore, be it

13 **RESOLVED** That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,
14 Jefferson City, MO, this 24th day of February, 2013, recommends the Missouri Department of
15 Conservation review the Wildlife Collector's Permit process with respect to processing time, authorized
16 assistants, and return of permits to applicants.