



**Committee of Advisors
to the
Great Lakes Fishery Commission**



**Resolution 22-03: A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR GREAT LAKES FISHERY
COMMISSION COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Fishery Commission (Commission) was formed in 1955 under a binational treaty between Canada and the United States of America, to address the long-term degradation of the Great Lakes fishery and ecosystem caused by inadequate cross-border collaboration, siloed policy development among Ontario and the eight Great Lakes States, and inward facing problem solving;

WHEREAS, Canada is a party to the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries, which establishes a responsibility to adhere to the terms and spirit of the Convention, which includes a directive to “maintain” a functioning Commission;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Canadian Section ideally requires four members to function fully and properly;

WHEREAS, historical practice and precedent requires that two of the four commissioners are appointed by Privy Council Office (PCO) on the advice of the Province of Ontario;

WHEREAS, Ontario nominated two candidates several months ago; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Canadian and U.S. Advisors to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission call upon the Government of Canada, through PCO, to immediately appoint Ontario’s nominees to the Commission.

Passed unanimously by the U.S. and Canadian Committee of Advisors
June 1, 2022

The opinions expressed here are those of the independent committee of advisors and not necessarily those of the Great Lakes Fishery Commission. The Committee of Advisors consists of both U.S. and Canadian representatives, from indigenous, commercial, recreational, academic, agency, environmental, and public fishery interests in the Great Lakes Basin. Advisors provide advice to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission; U.S. advisors are nominated by the State Governors, and appointed by the commission. Canadian advisors are appointed by the commission.