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April 5, 2023

Board of Selectmen Town of Tisbury Town Hall Tisbury, MA 02578

Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has re-examined the waters of Vineyard Haven Inner Harbor (V10.1) in the Town of Tisbury, classified as "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" and in the "CLOSED" status based on NSSP Mooring Area criteria. As a result of this examination the Division has determined that the below defined area now meets established criteria for the harvest of shellfish and has changed the status to "OPEN TO SHELLFISHING" as of sunrise on April 6, 2023.

The below defined area may be opened to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, Section 52.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

STATUS CHANGE

Status: Open to Shellfishing

April 6 – April 30

V10.1

Vineyard Haven Inner Harbor

"The waters, flats and all tributaries of that portion of Vineyard Haven Harbor, in the Town of Tisbury, westerly of a line from the old Seafood Basin Pier to the end of the Vineyard Haven Harbor breakwater."

The status of the above Conditionally Approved area, V10.1, shall automatically revert to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING" on May 1, 2023 unless the Division changes the area status prior to said date.

Sincerely,

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