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Dear Luke

**Re: Submission to proposed Fisheries Notice that the Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) has drafted to manage fishing activity in Portland Bay**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission on the draft Fisheries Notice for the Portland Bay Commercial Fishery.

As you may be aware, Council at its meeting on the 22 August 2023 moved a Motion to write to the Minister for outdoor Recreation, requesting that the Minister intervene and amend the Regulations regarding the use of commercial netting gear in the Portland Bay area.

This Notice of Motion underpins the advocacy role of the Glenelg Shire Council on behalf of the community concerns on this issue.

Council is very appreciative of the prompt response to resolve this matter and supports in principle the draft notice as provided.

We look forward to the outcome of the current consultation process and would be happy to further contribute in our advocacy role if the opportunity arises.

Yours sincerely

**DAVID HOL**

Acting Chief Executive Officer