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The Problem:

In the past (1990-1995), to compute the division of the Lake Michigan Yellow Perch harvest, a size of 8 inches was used by the DNR as the average length of a sport caught yellow perch. This reflects data that is grossly out of date and no longer reflects the true size of perch targeted by sportsmen on Lake Michigan, nor the average size of perch (11 inches) that the DNR have in the past protected for spawning.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in **Milwaukee County** on **April 16, 2007**, recommends that the Department of Natural Resources in the future use an 11 inch minimum, as the average length of sport targeted yellow perch when computing any future Lake Michigan Yellow Perch harvest to be divided between sportsmen and commercial fishers.

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85 yes
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