

RESOLUTION 21-07 of the
EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL
in recognition of the
DEDICATED STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE OF
JAMES BALSIGER
TO THE COUNCIL AND ITS MISSION

WHEREAS, Dr. James Balsiger frequently and capably represented the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration as a Trustee and strong supporter of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council, beginning in 2000 until his retirement from a distinguished public service career in 2021;

WHEREAS, while serving the Council, Dr. Balsiger brought and seamlessly embodied his heralded reputation for interagency collaboration and expert guidance in leading the management of fisheries considered by many stakeholders and observers to be among the most efficient in the world;

WHEREAS, Dr. Balsiger diligently pursued balanced approaches to conservation, protection, and management of marine, coastal, and terrestrial resources affected by the 1989 *Exxon Valdez* oil spill;

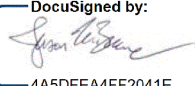
WHEREAS, through his wise counsel, calming influence, and years of experience, Dr. Balsiger inspired creatively comprehensive approaches to both science and management, optimizing the recovery of injured resources and ensuring the ecosystems and communities affected by the spill can envision and foster a safe, healthy, and productive future; and,

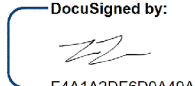
WHEREAS, the Trustees hereby express their fondest appreciation to Dr. James Balsiger for his service and best wishes for his continued health, happiness, and prosperity in his retirement;

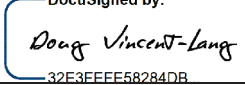
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council is honored to recognize the two decades of renowned contributions, guidance, and mentorship by Dr. James Balsiger to the Council and those it serves.

This resolution was presented to and approved by the Trustees this 13th day of October 2021.

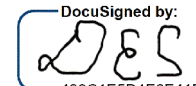
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