

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Ornithologists' Union encourages efforts of countries and agencies to develop an international shorebird management plan for identifying and preserving essential shorebird habitat and for establishing a series of reserves throughout the Western Hemisphere.

Resolution 5: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL MARINE PARK OF
FERNANDO DE NORONHA

WHEREAS Fernando de Noronha is the main island of an archipelago located 360 kilometers off the coast of Northeastern Brazil and is inhabited by three endemic land bird taxa and ten species of nesting seabirds, and
RECOGNIZING that island avifaunas are particularly fragile, and the history of their decimation by man has been a tragic story, and
RECOGNIZING that Fernando de Noronha is classified as a Federal Territory and managed by the Air Force Ministry of Brazil, and the possibility for tourist development is great,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Ornithologists' Union supports the efforts of Brazilian conservationists to establish Fernando de Noronha as a National Marine Park in order to enforce protection for the wildlife of the island.

Resolution 6: COMMENDATION

WHEREAS The American Ornithologists' Union has held its One Hundred and Fourth Stated Meeting on the campus of and at the invitation of Mississippi State University and
RECOGNIZING that the Local Committee on Arrangements, under the capable direction of Jerome A. Jackson and Bette J. S. Jackson, provided us with an exceptionally diverse assemblage of exhibits, special events, tours, field trips, and evening social gatherings, and
RECOGNIZING that the Committee on the Scientific Program under the equally capable direction of Robert M. Zink, Douglas W. Mock, and Gary D. Schnell arranged outstanding scientific paper and poster sessions, symposia, films, a plenary lecture, and an Avian Growth Workshop, and
WHEREAS all who have attended this meeting have been enriched by it,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Ornithologists' Union extends its sincere appreciation to the staffs, members, and friends of the Department of Biological Sciences, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Department of Art at Mississippi State University, the Mississippi Ornithological Society, and the Audubon Society chapters of Mississippi for all their efforts contributed on our behalf for a memorable meeting, and
THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the American Ornithologists' Union also commends the Committee on Scientific Program and the Local Committee on Arrangements for their efforts toward this meeting.

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