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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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The Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission's 1992 recipient of its "Charles H. Lyles" Award is J. Burton Angelle, Sr. of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. Presentation of the award will be at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 14, 1992 during the 43rd Annual Fall Meeting of the Commission to be held at the Stouffer Riverview Plaza Hotel in Mobile, Alabama.

The "Charles H. Lyles" Award is presented annually by the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission to an individual, agency or organization which has contributed to the betterment of the fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico through significant, biological, industrial, legislative, enforcement or administrative activities. It is the only expression of appreciation bestowed by the Commission.

Mr. Angelle's dedication to natural resources is in part represented by his unselfish public service to the state of Louisiana under two separate terms by Governor Edwards. He served from 1972-1980 and from 1983 until he retired in March, 1988 as Secretary of Wildlife and Fisheries. Prior to State resource agency service, he was a Representative in Louisiana's Legislature from 1964-1972. In his capacity as chairman of the Natural Resources Committee he demonstrated keen interest in, and active support for, professional wildlife management, conservation of all the State's natural resources including programs to improve the State's fish and wildlife populations.

He has provided his talents, wisdom and energy to numerous local, state, regional and international bodies including the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, International Association of Fish and Wildlife

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Agencies, Louisiana Trails Advisory Council, Atchafalaya Basin Commission, and Gulf of Mexico Fishery

Management Council to name a few. In 1974 he was named Conservationist of the Year by the Louisiana

Wildlife Federation and the Sears Roebuck Foundation.

A native of Cecilia, he and his wife are long-time residents of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. He is the

father of nine children.

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