The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, through its Executive Director under Delegations of Authority Paragraph 22, and in accordance with Exempted Fishing Permit Number 18-SERO-01 issued April 16, 2018, pursuant to 50 CFR § 600.745(b), hereby modifies the 2019 recreational season for red snapper in state waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in 688-14, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the 2019 recreational red snapper season for state waters of the Gulf of Mexico shall be June 11, 2019 through July 12, 2019.

2. Red Snapper Closed Seasons. Except for persons harvesting red snapper for commercial purposes pursuant to Rule 688-14.0045, F.A.C., no person shall harvest in or from state waters of the Gulf of Mexico any red snapper outside of the open season identified in this Order.

3. All other requirements of 688-14, F.A.C., remain in effect during the season.

4. This order shall take effect upon execution and shall expire January 1, 2020.

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
On this 20th day of February 2019

Eric Sutton, Executive Director