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Subject: RE: Sarasota Industrial Fish Farming Proposal

I support your protective position regarding industrial fish farming in Sarasota's coastal waters. I read Glenn Compton's strong comments in today's paper, and hope they will result in solid Support of not allowing it.
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From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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Sarasota Industrial Fish Farming Proposal

Comments needed by this Sunday September 30, 2019

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) intends to issue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to Kampachi Farms, LLC (Permit No. FL0A00001). The draft NPDES permit authorizes the discharge of industrial wastewater from a marine net-pen aquaculture facility located in federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico at **approximately 45 miles southwest of Sarasota, Florida**.

The value of Florida's biologically sensitive areas and endangered and threatened species should not be put at risk for floating fish farms.
We should not risk the productivity of our offshore or estuarine areas, which

will ultimately prove to be more important for our future than harmful industrial fish farming.

Existing state and federal regulations do not address the significant damage fish farming has on the environment. There is no reason to believe that the EPA will protect Florida's economy and environment from the potential serious environmental damage associated with industrial fish farming.

Industrial fish farming will place Sarasota's coastal waters, an area of high environmental sensitivity and marine productivity, at risk. Presently the region supports numerous species of wildlife, major commercial and recreational fisheries and several species of endangered animals.

Comments accepted through: Sunday 09/29/2019

You may comment on the proposed action in writing, using Email, FAX or mail. Submit comments to:

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Additional information can be found at :

https://www.epa.gov/publicnotices/19fl00001-draft-national-pollution-discharge-elimination-system-permit-kampachi-farms

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