Hello,
I am a recreational fisherman of more than 20 years. I have been reading on these proposed closures and do not agree with what I have heard and seen. I have seen first hand how strong the red snapper population is. The data being used is flawed and out-dated and yet it is still being used. Why? I live in Northeast Florida and we have built one of the biggest artificial reef systems in the world and yet they still want to close red snapper for us. Why? Why would they open the waters off the coasts of North Carolina and South Carolina but not Northeast Florida. Why? Why are you taking food off my families plates? Why? I fish for food and recreation. I am not going to be able to teach my kids or grand kids the joys of the ocean and its beautiful offerings. Why? Please tell me why.

Sincerely,
Jerry A. Ferranti