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In Memoriam – Dr Bill Hogarth



The Secretariat is sad to inform members of the IWC community that Dr Bill Hogarth passed away over the weekend. Dr Hogarth served as the U.S. Commissioner to the International Whaling Commission as well as the Chair of IWC from 2006 – 2009. Under Dr Hogarth's leadership, the United States hosted a Commission meeting as well as a Scientific Committee meeting.

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Originally from Virginia, Dr Hogarth received his Ph.D. at North Carolina State University. He worked as Director of the North Carolina Dept of Marine Fisheries before joining NOAA Fisheries, where he was appointed as Assistant Administrator by President George W Bush. Following his career at NOAA Fisheries, Dr Hogarth served as Director of the Florida Institute of Oceanography. He was provided a special honour when a new Research vessel was christened in his name in May 2017 (see photo below).

Dr Hogarth was a wonderful mentor to many of his staff at NOAA Fisheries as well as in other fora. He will be remembered for his larger-than-life personality which served him well in leading international negotiations in challenging circumstances.

On behalf of the IWC community, we send our condolences to Bill's family and his many friends.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Lent". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr Rebecca Lent
Executive Secretary