

9. The Lion Marmosets of Brazil

Recognizing that the three lion marmosets of Brazil (*Leomopithecus rosalia*, *L. chrysomelas*, *L. chrysopygus*) are among the most critically endangered species of the world;

Recognizing that these marmosets have come to symbolize the threats to wildlife and the efforts to preserve species, especially in the Latin American region;

Being aware that Brazilian conservationists have devoted great energy and skill to developing the means for preserving these species;

Being informed that the President of Brazil has issued a decree authorizing the establishment of a biological reserve at Poço das Antas as a refuge for *L. rosalia* and for other biological research;

Concerned that this refuge has not yet been established and that a large portion of it has been deforested since the Presidential decree was signed;

The 12th General Assembly of IUCN meeting in Kinshasa, Zaire, in September 1975:

Calls on the President of Brazil, on behalf of his Government, to accept Ultimate Responsibility for the preservation of the three rare Brazilian marmosets; and

Urges that early action be taken on all necessary measures to this end, including the establishment and adequate support for the proposed preserve at Poço das Antas.