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In Commemoration and Celebration of
40 seasons of systematic tagging and
counting green turtles (honu) nesting
at East Island (Hikina) French Frigate
Shoals in the Hawaiian Islands
National Wildlife Refuge.

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This project was initiated by George Balazs
of the Hawaii Institute of
Marine Biology at Coconut Island
(1973-1982) in Partnership with the
US Fish and Wildlife Service and, from
1983-2012, the NOAA Pacific Islands
Fisheries Science Center. Many
dedicated field biologists have been involved
in the research over the years that has
now quantitatively shown a dramatic
conservation improvement for this
formerly deleted Hawaiian population of
green turtles.