RESOLUTION

OPPOSITION TO OFF-SHORE DRILLING NEAR THE COAST OF VIRGINIA

- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management in its 2019-2024 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program has included the coast of Virginia; and
- WHEREAS, Hampton Roads has a long and storied military history and presence whose training and offshore activities are extremely important for military readiness; and
- WHEREAS, off-shore drilling near the Virginia coast will jeopardize the military's ability to conduct operations, activities and training off the coast of Virginia which will adversely impact military preparedness and readiness; and
- WHEREAS, the regional economy of Hampton Roads and the Eastern Shore of Virginia relies heavily on sectors (military, tourism, outdoor recreation, fishing and aquaculture) that will be adversely impacted by off-shore drilling.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, hereby are opposed to off-shore drilling near the coast of Virginia and does hereby support the position of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission in opposition to off-shore drilling near the coast of Virginia.

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	Ruth M. Larson Chairman, Board of Supervisors VOTES			
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Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 27th day of February, 2018.

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