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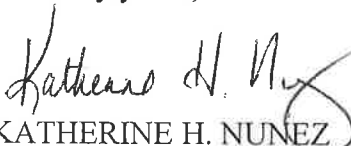
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Office of Public Affairs
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Sir:

At its meeting of March 8, 2015, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors adopted the enclosed resolution opposing offshore drilling along Northampton County's coastline.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely yours,


KATHERINE H. NUNEZ
County Administrator

Cc: The Hon. Senator Tim Kaine
The Hon. Senator Mark Warner
The Hon. Representative E. Scott Rigell

Jay Ford, Virginia Eastern Shorekeepers

**RESOLUTION
REGARDING LEASING OF CERTAIN OFFSHORE
DRILLING RIGHTS NEAR NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

WHEREAS, the County of Northampton has enjoyed and continues to enjoy the economic benefits of its aquaculture and tourism industries; and

WHEREAS, these industries are thriving and growing and constitute an immense value to the national, regional and local economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposal to lease drilling rights off of Northampton County's coastline has been opposed by our regional leadership as drilling would threaten our environment and cause hardship to those to seek to promote the greater interests of the County and the region through the unfettered and free access to our own marine resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Northampton County has been called upon to involve itself in the matter of a proposal to lease these rights to others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Northampton County, that it does now go officially on record as being opposed to the lease of drilling rights offshore as currently proposed.

Adopted this 8th day of March, 2016.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: 

Its County Administrator/Clerk