

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DUCK, NORTH CAROLINA, OPPOSING OFFSHORE DRILLING OFF THE COAST OF NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA

Resolution 09-09

WHEREAS, tourism generates far more income, tax revenue and jobs for the Town of Duck, Dare County and the State of North Carolina than can be potentially generated by the petroleum industry; and

WHEREAS, offshore exploration represents a serious risk to the Town of Duck economy by potentially dissuading tourists from visiting the Outer Banks; and

WHEREAS, no proof has emerged to convince the Town Council of the Town of Duck that such exploration can be done safely and without harm to the environment of North Carolina, or to the Town's property, businesses, general livelihood, or quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THIS 2ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2009, that the Town Council of the Town of Duck, North Carolina, is opposed to any exploration for gas or oil on the continental shelf or elsewhere off the coast of North Carolina or Virginia and urges the North Carolina General Assembly to re-instate a long-term moratorium on offshore exploration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these positions be made known to our representatives at the county, state and federal level, including the President of the United States and that the United States Department of Interior be urged to instruct the Mineral Management Service to take no further action to open additional off-shore sites to leases for gas or oil exploration.

Adopted the 2nd day of September, 2009.

Nail Morrison

Mayor

Attest:

Dei A. Kuper

Clerk

