

THE UNDERSIGNED, Mario Posillico, Clerk of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire, Suffolk County, New York, ("Saltaire") certifies that the following is a true copy of a portion of the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Saltaire, held pursuant to proper notice, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018, at which a quorum was present:

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS VILLAGE OF SALTIRE'S OPPOSITION TO OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING SEISMIC AIR-GUN BLASTING: RESOLUTION

Trustee Richard made the following motion:

WHEREAS, in New York Hundreds of thousands of jobs and billions of dollars of the state's gross domestic product depend on clean, oil-free water and beaches and abundant fish and wildlife; and,

WHEREAS, the vast majority of New York's ocean wealth stems from tourism and recreation sector which benefits from a healthy ocean and coast: and,

WHEREAS, New York has become more vulnerable to sever weather events (such as Super Storm Sandy, cyclone bombs, and increasing frequent nor'easters), which can cause or exacerbate leaks from offshore oil infrastructure to the Atlantic; and,

WHEREAS, offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration places coastal communities at economic and ecological risk from oil spills and the pollution brought by routine drilling operations and onshore industrialization, threatening the livelihoods of commercial and recreational fishermen and small businesses that rely on a clean and healthy ocean and beaches; and

WHEREAS, offshore drilling may require significant onshore infrastructure, such as pipelines or refineries, which would harm the character of New York's coastline and could exacerbate wetlands loss and storm surge and sea level rise impacts; and,

WHEREAS, the harmful impacts from oil and gas drilling and exploration anywhere along the Atlantic coastline could extend far beyond immediately surrounding areas and severely impact communities that rely on the robust economy of the marine industry; and,

WHEREAS, offshore drilling and exploration perpetuates our ties to dirty carbon pollution and contributes to climate change and the resulting sea level rise and extreme weather; and,

WHEREAS, the current Administration has expressed interest in opening the Atlantic Ocean to offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration, which includes the use of seismic air-guns which fire intense blasts of compressed air that rank just behind military explosives as the loudest source of noise in the ocean, every 10-12 seconds, 24 hours a day, for months on end; and,

WHEREAS, seismic air-gun blasting to explore for oil and gas deposits has been proven to disrupt and displace marine life, such as whales which rely on sound to find food and mate, and can impair the health of many fish and shellfish species, including those of commercial importance like squid, lobster, and scallops; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Saltaire recognizes that our community, businesses, and industries depend on a healthy coastal environment for the benefit of current and future residents, property owners, and visitors,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Saltaire finds the offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration unnecessarily risks our economic and ecological health and therefore opposes any plan or legislation which encourages oil and gas development and exploration offshore that would impact the citizens of New York State, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Village of Saltaire Board of Trustees, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, U.S. Senator Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand; U.S. Representative Peter King; State Senator Philip Boyle; State Assembly member Andrew R. Garbarino, and any other interested parties.

The motion was seconded by Trustee O'Brien, and the motion was carried according to the following:

Motion: Trustee Richard

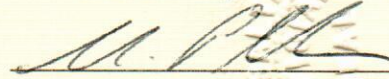
Seconded: Trustee O'Brien

In Favor: Trustee Wolf, Trustee O'Brien, Trustee Richard, Trustee Oppenheimer

Abstain: None

Against: None

CERTIFIED AT: Saltaire, New York  
This 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018



Mario Posillico, Clerk  
Incorporated Village of Saltaire

