

**TAMPA BAY BEACHES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
RESOLUTION NO. 18-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TAMPA BAY BEACHES CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OPPOSING OFF-
SHORE OIL DRILLING OFF FLORIDA'S COASTLINE; AND
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce is a business organization representing businesses and communities on the Pinellas County beaches; and

WHEREAS, tourism is the #1 industry in Florida and making the health of our natural resources, our beaches and the Gulf of Mexico vital to our economy; and

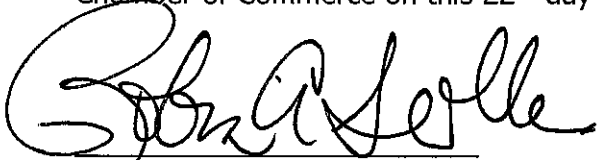
WHEREAS, our priority is to protect the beaches and our coastline while being good stewards of the environment and its resources; and

WHEREAS, our residents and visitors have an expectation of a quality of life and demonstrate a concern for our environment along the Tampa Bay Beaches; and

WHEREAS, the Deepwater Horizon Oil spill in 2010 showed us firsthand how detrimental an oil spill off Florida's coast will negatively impacted tourism, businesses, eliminated jobs and crippled our economy; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TAMPA BAY BEACHES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE opposes any oil drilling off Florida's coastline.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce on this 22nd day of February, 2018



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President/CEO