

29 environment and its resources, and for many years has invested in the maintenance and creation
30 of expanded and stronger dunes and coral reefs in its nearshore waters, earning the Town the
31 title of the “Beach Diving Capital of Florida”; and

32 **WHEREAS**, exploration and development of oil and gas resources off the coast of
33 Florida will not effectively address the long-term energy needs of our country; and

34 **WHEREAS**, the Town finds that it would be more economically and ecologically
35 responsible to pursue non-polluting sources of renewable energy such as solar and wind, that
36 pose less risk to the coastal environment and economic health, before using uncertain methods
37 of seismic airgun blasting for offshore oil and gas deposits.

38 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF**
39 **THE TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA, FLORIDA:**

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41 **Section 1. Recitals.** Each “WHEREAS” clause set forth is true and correct and herein
42 incorporated by this reference.

43 **Section 2. Finding.** The Town Commission finds that offshore oil and gas drilling and
44 exploration, including seismic airgun blasting, will put Florida’s environment, beaches, marine
45 resources and local economies at risk. These risks are particularly pronounced in the Town, as
46 the Beach Diving Capital of Florida.

47 **Section 3. Commission Opposition to Federal Action.** The Town Commission
48 opposes offshore oil drilling and seismic airgun blasting off Florida’s coast and urges the federal
49 government not to pursue such practices off Florida’s coast. The Town Commission further
50 urges the State Administration and Florida Legislature to oppose any such federal actions.

51 **Section 4. Distribution.** The Town Clerk is directed to distribute this Resolution to the
52 Governor Ron DeSantis, the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, the Florida
53 League of Cities, the Florida Association of Counties, the Florida City-County Management

54 Association, Board of County Commissioners for Broward County, the Broward County League
55 of Cities, the Broward Legislative Delegation, and each of the municipalities in Broward County.

56 **Section 6. Authorization to Implement.** The appropriate Town officials are authorized
57 to execute all necessary documents and to take any necessary action to effectuate the intent of
58 this Resolution.

59 **Section 7. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its
60 passage.

61 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12 day of March, 2019.

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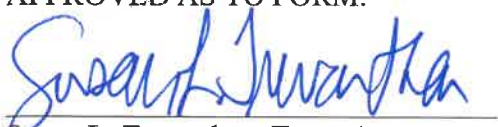
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Mayor Chris Vincent


Town Clerk Tedra Allen
(CORPORATE SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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