RESOLUTION NUMBER 18-R-004

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND EXPLORATION, INCLUDING SEISMIC TESTING

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior has endorsed seismic testing, and oil and gas exploration and drilling in the waters of the Atlantic Ocean from Delaware Bay to Cape Canaveral; and

WHEREAS, the endorsed activities could prove harmful to the City's tourism industry and economy, to the activities of the U.S. Navy and of the Port of Virginia, as well as to the marine life and environment, which are all integral to the City's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, a healthy tourism industry and economy are necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Suffolk, Virginia that:

- 1. That the Council opposes offshore oil and gas exploration and drilling, including seismic testing.
- 2. That this resolution shall be in effect from after its adoption.

This resolution shall be effective upon its adoption and shall not be published.

READ AND ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 21, 2018

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