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WHEREAS, the state of California prohibits new oil and gas leasing in state waters due to the unacceptably high risk of damage and disruption to the marine environment; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of California, the Attorney General, the State Senate, the State Lands Commission, the Counties of Mendocino, Sonoma, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Monterey, and Ventura have taken a stand against new federal offshore oil and gas leases in the Pacific Ocean, and several municipalities have called for a ban on offshore fracking; and

WHEREAS, the County of Humboldt is currently updating its Local Coastal Plan and the County’s opposition to offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration should be reflected therein; and

WHEREAS, BOEM’s proposed drilling plans disregard California’s coastal-dependent economy and the state’s policies to protect it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt supports a ban on new offshore oil and gas drilling, fracking, and other well stimulation in federal and state waters off the California coast, and a ban on new federal oil and gas leasing in all U.S. water, including off the coast of California; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors adopts this resolution and will submit this resolution and supporting comments to the Department of Interior on the Draft Proposed Program for 2019 through 2024 OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program.
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA    )
County of Humboldt     )

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.

By Ryan Sharp
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt, State of California