



RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
BERLIN, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND,
A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO OFFSHORE SEISMIC TESTING FOR
OIL AND GAS

WHEREAS, The U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is currently in the process of trying to open the Atlantic Coast to exploration and development of offshore oil and gas which will include the utilization of methods such as seismic blasting and,

WHEREAS, the full impact of seismic blasting in the Atlantic Ocean and its effect on marine mammals, highly migratory fish and other marine life is not yet fully understood by scientists, the oil and gas industry, BOEM, or the Federal Government, and lower impact technologies may be available and,

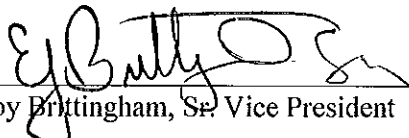
WHEREAS, the Town of Berlin, Maryland was designated the first Sustainable Maryland Community in 2012 and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council of Berlin Maryland acknowledge the importance of their role as environmental stewards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Town of Berlin is opposed to the current BOEM Proposal for seismic testing off the coast of Maryland for the purpose of oil and gas exploration and development.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to our Congressional Representatives.

RESOLVED this 25th day of January, 2016.


Elroy Brittingham, Sr. Vice President

Approved this 25th day of Jan., 2016 by the Mayor and Town of

ATTEST:


Wm. Gee Williams, III, Mayor


Laura Allen, Town Administrator