RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN OF HOLLY RIDGE, North Carolina TOWN COUNCIL OPPOSING OFFSHORE NATURAL GAS/OIL EXPLORATION AND DRILLING

WHEREAS, the Holly Ridge Town Council is expressing their opposition to offshore exploration for gas and/or oil; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Surf City, City of Wilmington, County of Dare, and the Towns of Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, Manteo, and the Dare County Tourism Board have passed resolutions in opposition to offshore explorations for natural gas and/or oil off the coast of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it has not been proven that such exploration can be done safely and without harm to the environment and the North Carolina coastline, our main industry of tourism, our property, our businesses, our livelihood, or quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Holly Ridge Town Council continues to be opposed to any exploration for natural gas and/or oil on the continental shelf or elsewhere off the Coast of North Carolina and urges North Carolina to reinstate a long term moratorium on offshore exploration;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this opposition be made known to our representatives at the state and federal level, and the US Department of Interior be urged to instruct Mineral Management Service to take no further action to open more offshore site for leases for natural gas and/or oil exploration.

Adopted this 11th day of August 2015 by the Holly Ridge Town Council.

ATTEST:

Anita Dingler, Mayor

Tracy Martin, Deputy Clerk