

RESOLUTION for submission to the South Carolina Democratic Party

Approved by the Horry County Executive Committee on October 19, 2015

A Resolution to Oppose Seismic Testing and Offshore Drilling

WHEREAS:, Horry County and the communities therein, seek to promote sustainable energy sources and maintain healthy marine and coastal ecosystems, and

WHEREAS, industrial infrastructure such as pipelines and refineries pose a threat to the County's natural, historical and cultural resources, and

WHEREAS, all exploratory and commercial seismic testing and drilling will carry a risk of short and long term spills and leaks which irreparably harm the sea and its animal and plant life as demonstrated around the Country and the World, and

WHEREAS, the economic outcomes of spills, leaks and fires could be catastrophic for Horry County's tourism industry, businesses and workforce, as well as an adverse impact statewide as we are a donor County, and

WHEREAS, these pursuits would threaten the cultural heritage of the Gullah Geechee people and all communities in the County and State,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THAT THE HORRY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS STRONGLY OPPOSED TO SEISMIC TESTING AND OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT OFF OF OUR COASTLINE.

ADOPTED this 19th day of October, 2015.

Joan M. Furlong, Chair