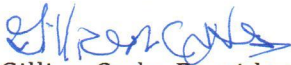



## The Garden Club of Norfolk's Resolution Opposing Offshore Drilling in Virginia

The members of The Garden Club of Norfolk resolve on March 16, 2016 to oppose the 2017-2022 Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Offshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program, and further request that the Commonwealth of Virginia be removed from the program. We further urge Governor McAuliffe and other elected officials to formally request removal of Virginia from the plan.

The Garden Club of Norfolk has worked to conserve and protect our natural environment for over 100 years. Club members want to ensure the preservation of the natural beauty of our region and pass it on to future generations.

There is too much to lose for Virginia in this program. Virginia's long term economy and our environment should not be sacrificed for short term gains. The Garden Club of Virginia opposes drilling off the coast of Virginia. The Garden Club of Norfolk, a charter member of the Garden Club of Virginia, urges our elected officials to express opposition to the 2017-2022 Bureau of Ocean Management Offshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

  
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