

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-3610

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEMON GROVE, CALIFORNIA
OPPOSING NEW OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING**

WHEREAS, the City of Lemon Grove values our ocean waters and coast which provide habitat to a vast array of wildlife including marine mammals, birds and fish that depend on a healthy and clean ocean environment; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego region depends on thousands of visitors who enjoy recreational activities on the beaches for tourism and local economic support; and

WHEREAS, offshore oil and gas drilling off the Pacific coast puts these coastal resources at risk of oil spills and other damage; and

WHEREAS, the State of California prohibits new leasing in state waters because of the unacceptably high risk of damage and disruption to the marine environment and economy of the state; and

WHEREAS, the America First Offshore Energy Executive Order could open the Pacific, Atlantic and Arctic Oceans to new drilling, tracking and other well stimulation, putting California's coastal resources at risk of more oil spills, increased greenhouse gases, continued dependence on fossil fuels and impacts of climate change and which could delay the movement toward greater reliance on renewable energy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lemon Grove stands in support with our region partners in opposing an expansion of offshore oil and gas drilling because of the threat to our coast, wildlife, climate and coastal economy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Lemon Grove, California, opposes any new offshore oil and gas leasing, drilling, and related exploratory activity in federal and state waters off the Pacific Coast, specifically near the San Diego County coastline.

Be it further resolved that the City Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to Secretary Zinke; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Director Walter Cruickshank; Governor Jerry Brown; U. S. Senators Feinstein and Harris; U.S. Representative Susan Davis; State Senator Joel Anderson; and State Representative Shirley Weber; and any other appropriate parties.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Lemon Grove, California, at a regular meeting this 18th day of September, 2018.



Raquel Vasquez, Mayor

Attest:

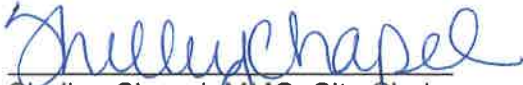


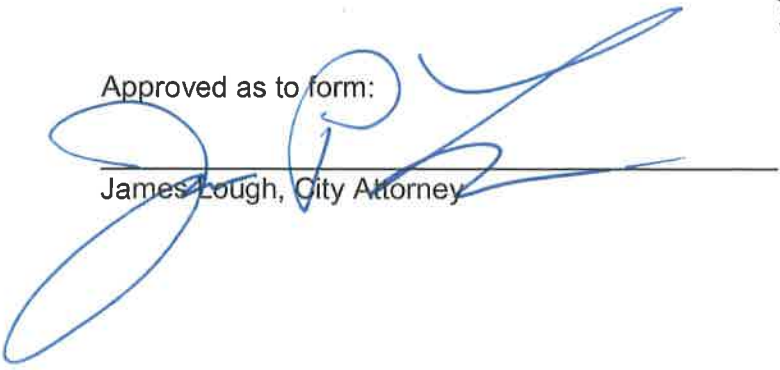
Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, Shelley Chapel, City Clerk of the City of Lemon Grove, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution No. 2018-3610, was duly adopted by the City Council at the meeting of said City Council held on the 18th day of September, 2018, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: VASQUEZ, JONES, J. MENDOZA, M. MENDOZA, ARAMBULA
NOES: NONE.
ABSENT: NONE.
ABSTAINED: NONE.


Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk
City of Lemon Grove

Approved as to form:

James Lough, City Attorney