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To Whom It May Concern,

Please find attached an Excel spreadsheet (.xlsx) containing the comments of 2,901 supporters of the National Audubon Society opposing opening GOA Program Area B to oil and gas leasing:

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I oppose opening GOA Program Area B to oil and gas leasing. Not only would oil and gas rigs in the Eastern Gulf threaten birds and other wildlife, they pose a dire risk to Florida's economy. The state's oil-free beaches and healthy Gulf drive booming tourism, fishing, and recreation industries that are foundational to Florida's well-being. Further, this part of the Gulf is a critical training area for Florida's military installations. Allowing drilling would come at the expense of national defense, the military mission of these bases, and the economies they support.

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If you have any questions about the comments, prefer to receive them in a different format, or need additional information about the individuals submitting these comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please accept our thanks for ensuring that the comments of these concerned individuals are considered.

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