

NO DRILLING FOR GAS OR OIL OFF OF OUR COAST

WHEREAS, North Carolina has the sixth largest coastline in the nation, with an economy based on sustainable use of the unique and beautiful natural resources of this region.

WHEREAS, the oil and gas potential off of our coast is very small and will not significantly help meet the US demand.

WHEREAS, analysts project that the existing oil and gas reserves in the U.S. coast would not lower, or even significantly affect, gas prices.

WHEREAS, the track record for oil and gas development in other regions has not met the projections of economic prosperity and left communities with broken promises of strict environmental stewardship. The legacy of big oil and gas extraction results in tainted coastal waters, disruption of recreational and commercial fishing, and inequitable distribution of economic benefits.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we affirm our staunch protection of our coastal region and oppose all measures to allow offshore drilling for oil and gas along our coast.

Affirmed through voice vote and platform discussion by Precinct H-03, March, 2013