



**Town of Little Compton
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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON

**A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES
SITED OFF LITTLE COMPTON**

WHEREAS, the Little Compton Town Council supports the development of clean, renewable energy, including solar power, waste to energy, and geothermal; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes the need for renewable energy infrastructure, including wind power, and has demonstrated support for clean energy through the implementation of initiatives including the installation of solar panels on municipal buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has the duty to protect and promote the physical, economic, mental, and emotional well-being of town residents, and to protect and promote the livelihoods of those who work on and off our shores; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is considering applications from private energy companies to construct offshore wind facilities in a vital marine habitat beginning 12.9 miles off the coast of Little Compton which will include over 100 wind turbines, each nearly 900 feet tall, constructed on 30-40 foot diameter piles driven deep into the seabed; and

WHEREAS, the construction and operation of the offshore wind facilities will hinder marine navigation, disturb fish stocks and fishermen, marine environments and habitats, pelagics, groundfish, shellfish, and marine mammals, commercial and recreational boaters, and the myriad values provided by the ocean; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that the construction and operation of the proposed wind facilities represent a significant threat to the welfare and livelihoods of the citizens, property owners, and visitors of Little Compton;

TOWN COUNCIL
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MEETING

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council is opposed to the construction and operation of offshore wind facilities (including the projects surrounding Coxes Ledge, "Revolution Wind," "SouthCoast Wind," "South Fork Wind," and "Sunrise Wind") in the proposed location, a vital marine habitat near the coast of Little Compton.


AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the clerks of all cities and towns in Rhode Island, and to Little Compton's members of the RI General Assembly, The Speaker of the RI House of Representatives, President of the RI Senate, and the Governor of the State of RI.

Passed as a resolution of the Little Compton Town Council this 6th day of April, 2023.



Robert L. Mushen, President
Little Compton Town Council

ATTEST


Heather J. Cook, Deputy Town Clerk