

RESOLUTION NO. 25-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, OPPOSING THE INCLUSION OF NEW OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASING OFF THE COAST OF FLORIDA IN THE 2024-2029 NATIONAL OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the economy of Cooper City depends heavily on a healthy coastal and marine environment, supporting industries such as tourism, recreation, commercial and recreational fishing, and related small businesses; and

WHEREAS, clean water, thriving ecosystems, and an attractive coastal environment are vital to maintaining property values, sustaining local businesses, and ensuring the quality of life for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, offshore oil and gas exploration, development, and drilling carry inherent risks, including oil spills, leaks, habitat destruction, and pollution, which could cause significant, long-term harm to our coastal economy, natural resources, and way of life; and

WHEREAS, even the perception of environmental risk associated with offshore drilling can negatively impact tourism, investment, and business development in coastal areas; and

WHEREAS, the protection of our coastal environment and economy is a priority for Cooper City, and the long-term well-being of our community outweighs the short-term benefits that expanded offshore drilling might offer to the oil and gas industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA:

Section 1: Cooper City formally opposes the inclusion of any new offshore oil and gas leasing off the coast of Florida in the 11th National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

Section 2: **Cooper City urges the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)** to prioritize the protection of coastal economies, communities, and ecosystems by excluding new offshore oil and gas leases from the final leasing program.

Section 3. **Cooper City calls on our federal representatives in Congress** to oppose efforts to expand offshore drilling and to support policies that protect oceans, coasts, and the industries and communities that depend on them.

Section 4. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Florida Senators, Florida Representatives, and any other relevant officials.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27TH DAY OF MAY, A.D., 2025.

JAMES CURRAN
Mayor

ATTEST:

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TEDRA ALLEN, MMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

JACOB HOROWITZ
City Attorney_____

ROLL CALL

Mayor Curran	_____
Commissioner Shrouder	_____
Commissioner Katzman	_____
Commissioner Mallozzi	_____
Commissioner Smith	_____