



TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS

Land Where Flight Began

**A RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE KILL DEVIL HILLS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
CONTINUED OPPOSITION OF OFF-SHORE DRILLING**

WHEREAS, the Kill Devil Hills Board of Commissioners most recently took action to object to off-shore drilling for gas or oil, including exploratory drilling on the 9th day of June 2014; and

WHEREAS, since then no evidence has been uncovered to demonstrate any benefits to Kill Devil Hills or to the surrounding region, and it has not been proven that off-shore drilling can safely be done without risking harm to the environment, the North Carolina coastline, our property, our businesses, our livelihood, or our quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the potential damage to North Carolina's beaches and coastline should a spill occur would be devastating to our natural resources and would irrevocably harm Dare County's tourism based economy; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that local and state officials throughout North Carolina and its neighboring states take a unified stand in opposition to off-shore drilling because a mishap in one jurisdiction could negatively impact the coastal environment and economy of adjacent areas; and

WHEREAS, other coastal communities and their neighbors have suffered dreadful consequences as the result of off-shore energy exploration including the Prince William Sound, victimized by the Exxon Valdez, and countless Gulf Coast communities harmed by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill; and

WHEREAS, the documented dangers that are associated with off-shore drilling would needlessly put our environment, coastline, beaches, fishing, and tourism industry at risk and threaten our way of life in Kill Devil Hills and Dare County, North Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kill Devil Hills Board of Commissioners renews its staunch opposition of off-shore drilling and urges North Carolina, our neighboring states, and all federal agencies to take no action that would put our coastline at risk.

This the 13th day of April 2015.

Sheila F. Davies, PhD
Mayor



ATTEST:

Mary E. Quidley
Town Clerk