

RESOLUTION NO. R-2015-152

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, OPPOSING OIL DRILLING ACTIVITIES AND ANY FORM OF EXTREME WELL STIMULATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, HYDRAULIC FRACTURING AND ACID FRACTURING ("FRACKING") FOR RESOURCE EXTRACTION IN THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES.

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie is committed to the preservation and protection of our local environment and water resources; and

WHEREAS, the Everglades ecosystem, spanning from the Kissimmee River Valley to Florida Bay, is a significant national resource and national treasure; and

WHEREAS, the issue of near-shore oil drilling and oil drilling in the Everglades has come to the forefront in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, fracturing of underground geological formations is accomplished by injecting several fluids and chemicals, including extreme volumes of water, under high pressure to create fractures in gas bearing geologic formations; and

WHEREAS, the water used in conjunction with the chemical compounds is permanently contaminated; and

WHEREAS, according to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the State's surface and ground water resources are intimately connected and support drinking water supplies, agriculture, industry, wildlife habitat, and a thriving recreation-based economy; and

WHEREAS, public and private water utilities rely entirely upon groundwater sources, including the Biscayne and Floridian Aquifers, for potable water; and

WHEREAS, the protection of Florida's water supplies and resources is best accomplished by prevention of contamination and environmental degradation versus clean up and recovery effort in case of an environmental disaster; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie will include drilling and extreme well stimulation activities on its federal and state legislative programs as voice of opposition; and

WHEREAS, the Town will work in conjunction with Broward County and other jurisdictions in opposing oil drilling activities and any form of extreme well stimulation in the Florida Everglades.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA.

SECTION 1. The Town of Davie opposes the use of drilling, extreme well stimulation practices including, but not limited to hydraulic fracturing and acid fracturing for the purpose of resource extraction near-shore and in the Florida Everglades.

SECTION 2. The Town Council urges the Broward County Legislative Delegation and Florida Legislature to enact legislation prohibiting the use of drilling, hydraulic fracturing, acid fracturing, and any form of extreme well stimulation for purposes of resource extraction in the Florida Everglades.

SECTION 3. A copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Florida, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Florida Senate, Broward County Mayor and the Broward County Legislative Delegation.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF July, 2015.

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

Jeddy Paul  
MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED THIS 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF July, 2015