

1 EXHIBIT 1

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2017 -

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5 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION
6 OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA,
7 ENDORSING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
8 SOUTHEAST FLORIDA COASTAL OCEAN TASK FORCE
9 (COTF); URGING OTHER LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES TO
10 ENDORSE AND SUPPORT THE COTF
11 RECOMMENDATIONS; EXPRESSING APPRECIATION
12 FOR THE WORK OF MEMBERS OF THE COTF
13 PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFIED COPIES
14 OF THE APPROVED RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN
15 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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18 **WHEREAS**, the Southeast Florida Coastal Ocean Task Force (“COTF”) was
19 created in June, 2012 by the joint actions of Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, and Miami-
20 Dade counties; and
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22 **WHEREAS**, the COTF was comprised of elected officials from Martin, Palm
23 Beach, Broward, and Miami-Dade counties; coastal municipalities within those counties,
24 and stakeholder representatives from non-governmental organizations, academia, the
25 marine industry, government environmental agencies, and fishing and diving
26 stakeholders; and
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28 **WHEREAS**, the COTF was created for the purpose of developing conservation
29 and management strategies for the coastal ocean waters of southeast Florida; and
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31 **WHEREAS**, the COTF convened monthly over a period of thirty (30) months to be
32 further educated on threats to the coastal environment and develop recommendations for
33 regionally-coordinated conservation strategies; and
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35 **WHEREAS**, southeast Florida has long depended upon coastal ocean waters for
36 recreation, fishing, and commerce; and
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38 **WHEREAS**, these coastal waters and the resources they support are essential to
39 the economy of southeast Florida; and

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41 **WHEREAS**, it has been scientifically demonstrated that coastal ocean waters are
42 under great user pressure and suffer from water quality degradation from human inputs
43 and climate change impacts; and
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45 **WHEREAS**, since, 2004, collaborative, multiagency conservation planning
46 activities have been underway for the coral reefs of southeast Florida through the
47 Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative (“SEFCRI”); and
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49 **WHEREAS**, the COTF has worked in concert with SEFCRI and has given
50 significant consideration to the previous efforts and recommendations reflected in
51 SEFCRI’s work products; and
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53 **WHEREAS**, the COTF has finalized its recommendations as part of the Southeast
54 Florida Coastal Ocean Task Force Final Recommendations Report (COTF Final Report),
55 attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and
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57 **WHEREAS**, the COTF Final Report includes three (3) overarching
58 recommendations relating to interagency coordination, implementation, and protection of
59 coastal resources from any oil exploration off the Florida coast, with additional
60 recommendations focusing on water quality, beaches, fisheries, coral reefs, estuaries,
61 socioeconomics, the management of marine debris, and implementation strategies
62 involving technical investigations, policy, planning, and projects; and
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64 **WHEREAS**, The COTF Final Report will be presented for approval and
65 advancement by the various convening bodies and all local governments within the 4-
66 County planning area as viable and worthy goals for the conservation of southeast
67 Florida’s coastal waters.
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69 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY**
70 **COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA:**

71 **SECTION 1.** The Mayor and City Commission endorses the Southeast Florida
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Coastal Ocean Task Force (COTF) Final Report and commits, within budgetary restraints, to work together in good faith with local, regional, state, and federal governments, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations to improve the coastal ecosystem in the region to benefit human use, ecosystem health, and economic sustainability.

SECTION 2. The City urges all local municipalities to pass a resolution stating their commitment to support the COTF Final Report and to work cooperatively to improve the coastal ecosystem by:

- (a) Collectively advocating at the state and federal levels for funding for the listed goals and actions;
- (b) Partnering with other entities within the COTF region on agency or other grant and funding opportunities to advance the listed recommendations;
- (c) Collaborating on meaningful education and outreach programs to inform citizens on threats to the coastal ecosystem;
- (d) Working to implement projects identified within the COTF Final Report to move the region closer to achieving the goals set out by the COTF; and
- (e) Providing dedicated staff support and time to coordinate these efforts and projects within the region, as appropriate.

SECTION 3. The City here hereby expresses its appreciation for the work and efforts of COTF members and their alternates.

SECTION 4. The City requests that certified copies of this Resolution be distributed to Martin, Palm Beach, Miami-Dade, and Monroe counties, the Broward County League of Cities, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of January, 2017.

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MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR JOY F. COOPER

ATTEST:

MARIO BATAILLE, CMC
CITY CLERK
APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND
FORM

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