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EXHIBIT 1
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, URGING THE BAHAMIAN GOVERNMENT TO DENY OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING EXPLORATION LICENSES AND PERMANENTLY BAN OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING ACTIVITIES IN THE BAHAMAS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Bahamas Petroleum Company (“BPC”) has been granted an offshore oil drilling exploration license by the Bahamian government that allows them to construct exploratory offshore oil drilling wells 150 miles off the coast of Florida; and

WHEREAS, exploratory and commercial drilling, extraction, and transportation of offshore oil and gas resources by BPC poses a significant risk of oil spills and chronic leakage that may adversely impact the Bahamas and coastal communities in the Caribbean and Florida; and

WHEREAS, offshore drilling activities pose threats to treasured vacation destinations in the Caribbean and along Florida’s Coasts, which are of intrinsic economic value for numerous industries and countries, provide essential nursery habitats for recreational and commercially important fisheries, and act as natural buffers from storm surge and hurricanes; and

WHEREAS, the City is one of numerous communities in Florida and in the Caribbean whose local or nearby marine habitats, industries, and public health may be devastated by offshore drilling oil spills originating in the Bahamas; and

WHEREAS, the City endeavors to protect the environmental health of all marine habitats; and

35 **WHEREAS**, exploration and development of oil and gas resources off the
36 Bahamian coast may not effectively address the long-term economic
37 diversification goals of the Bahamas, and would likely substantially damage the
38 tourism sector of the Bahamian economy, which makes up sixty percent of the
39 country's economy; and

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41 **WHEREAS**, the City urges the Bahamian government to deny offshore oil
42 drilling exploration licenses and to permanently ban offshore oil drilling activities in
43 the Bahamas, and further urges Broward County and the State of Florida to oppose
44 such offshore oil drilling and work with the Bahamian government in such efforts.

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46 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF**
47 **THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA THAT:**

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49 **Section 1. Recitals.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and
50 confirmed as being true and correct and are made a specific part of this Resolution.

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52 **Section 2. Urging the Bahamian Government to Ban Offshore Oil**
53 **Drilling.** The City Commission respectfully urges the Bahamian government to
54 deny offshore oil drilling exploration licenses and further urges the Bahamian
55 government to permanently ban all offshore oil drilling activities in the Bahamas.
56 The City Commission further urges Broward County and the State of Florida to
57 oppose such offshore oil drilling and to work with the Bahamian government in
58 such efforts.

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60 **Section 3. Transmittal.** The City Commission hereby directs the City Clerk
61 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Bahamian Prime Minister Hubert Minnis,
62 the Bahamian Ambassador to the U.S. Sidney S. Collie, the Broward County Board
63 of County Commissioners, Governor Ron DeSantis on behalf of the State of
64 Florida, all municipalities in Broward County, Florida, and the Broward County
65 League of Cities.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2021.

JOY F. COOPER
MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR JOY F. COOPER

ATTEST:

JENORGEN GUILLEN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
AND FORM

JENNIFER MERINO
CITY ATTORNEY