



CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD

CITY HALL
8300 SANTA MONICA BLVD.
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA
90069-6216
TEL: (323) 848-6460
FAX: (323) 848-6562

TTY: For hearing impaired
(323) 848-6496

CITY COUNCIL

JOHN HEILMAN
Mayor

JOHN J. DURAN
Mayor Pro Tempore

JOHN D'AMICO
Councilmember

LINDSEY P. HORVATH
Councilmember

LAUREN MEISTER
Councilmember

February 20, 2018

The Honorable Monique Limón
California State Assembly
Capitol Building, Room 4167
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Limón:

**Re: AJR 29, Oil and gas: offshore drilling: operations: leases -
SUPPORT**

The City of West Hollywood is pleased to join in your efforts to oppose President Trump's proposal to open the Pacific Coast to oil and gas drilling. This proposed policy has the potential for serious adverse impacts on marine life, coastal resources, and California's economy. At its February 6, 2018 meeting, the City Council unanimously voted to oppose the President's plan. AJR 29 affirms the City's position.

The City of West Hollywood's residents and visitors enjoy California's nearby beaches and the Pacific Ocean for recreational, commercial, and educational activities, all of which support our local economy. Our city's residents value our state's ocean and coastal waters, which provide habitat to a vast array of wildlife, including fish, whales, sea turtles, and birds that depend on a healthy and clean environment. Offshore oil and gas drilling exploration off the Pacific coast can result in potential oil spills that will put these coastal resources and the livelihoods of the communities that depend on them at risk.

Now more than ever, the California coast needs to be protected from decisions that advance the interests of the oil and gas industry at the expense of natural resources and the environment. The City of West Hollywood understands that energy is an integral component in the lives of all Americans; however, the City has long held policies that support the development of renewable energy sources, instead of continued reliance on oil and gas.

California's coast is a critical asset for our state. The City of West Hollywood supports AJR 29 and thanks you for your leadership to protect our state's valuable resources.

Respectfully,

John Heilman
MAYOR

Cc: Hon. Benjamin Allen, SD 26, California
Hon. Richard Bloom, AD 50, California

