



CITY OF
Palos Verdes Estates

OFFICE OF
THE MAYOR

CALIFORNIA

May 8, 2018

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2179
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1775 (Muratsuchi) SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi:

On behalf of the Palos Verdes Estates City Council, I am writing to express our support of AB 1775 (Muratsuchi).

The City of Palos Verdes Estates is a small residential community located on the Palos Verdes Peninsula along the coast of the Pacific Ocean. We value, and are committed to protecting, the pristine, natural conditions of the coastline, open and unobstructed views, and the environment as it relates to maintaining and having clean water for recreation and the ocean ecosystem. With AB 1775 providing the State Lands Commission with the direction to deny expanded offshore drilling, the legislation supports the City's values.

With offshore drilling and the exploration for oil and natural gas, ocean views are impacted, there are environmental risks associated with spills and pollution, and the character of our natural environment will be changed. In the City of Palos Verdes Estates, it is necessary to protect our coastline for everyone, visitors and residents alike, to enjoy without obstructions.

By ensuring that the State Lands Commission denies expanded offshore drilling, we believe that California will be able to protect the environment, our coast, the public and our neighborhoods from the negative impacts posed by offshore drilling and production.

We appreciate your continued leadership on this issue. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Betty Lin Peterson
Mayor

c: Palos Verdes Estates City Council
Senator Ben Allen, District 26
League of California Cities