

**RESOLUTION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
FORT LUPTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSITION 112 MINIMUM DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW OIL, GAS, AND FRACKING PROJECTS INITIATIVE.**

**WHEREAS**, Colorado is a major energy-producing state, ranked fifth in the nation for natural gas production and seventh in oil production, according to U.S. government data; and

**WHEREAS**, Colorado is widely recognized as a national leader in developing health, safety and environmental protections; and

**WHEREAS**, Oil and natural gas development is a critical sector of the Colorado state economy, supporting jobs and supplying locally produced and affordable energy to households and businesses all across the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Every Democratic and Republican candidate running for governor this year opposed Proposition 112; and

**WHEREAS**, The Democratic nominee for governor, Jared Polis, says Proposition 112 would “all but ban” oil and natural gas development in Colorado, and the Republican nominee for governor, Walker Stapleton, calls the measure an “energy ban” in disguise; and

**WHEREAS**, A study conducted by the REMI Partnership, a coalition of state business groups, found the setback initiative would eliminate over \$26 billion annually in state GDP, more than \$1 billion in state and local tax revenue per year, and almost 150,000 Colorado jobs by 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, More than 232,000 jobs in Colorado are supported by oil and natural gas development, equivalent to 6.5 percent of total employment in the state; and according to a 2017 study by globally renowned accounting firm Pricewaterhouse Coopers; and

**WHEREAS**, According to the same study, oil and natural gas development in Colorado supports more than \$31 billion in economic activity, equivalent to almost 10 percent of the state economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Oil and natural gas development in Colorado generates almost \$1.2 billion in tax revenue, according to a 2015 study by the University of Colorado’s Leeds School of Business; and

**WHEREAS**, The loss of Colorado’s energy sector would devastate the state economy, cripple state and local budgets, and threaten the livelihoods of hundreds of thousands of working families, and

**WHEREAS**, Anti-oil and gas proposals would dramatically increase the cost of doing business in the State of Colorado, creating a hostile business climate that scares away investment from all sectors of our economy; and

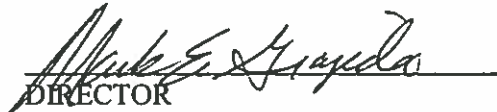
**WHEREAS**, Out-of-state environmental activist groups are leading a campaign to ban oil and natural gas development in Colorado, showing a total disregard for the devastating economic impacts they will leave behind if they succeed; and


**WHEREAS**, Proposition 112 is a one-size-fits-all, blunt instrument that would create a *de facto* ban on oil and gas production even in communities that embrace responsible energy development, showing that the proponents of Proposition 112 do not support local control as they claim; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Directors of the Fort Lupton Fire Protection District, Weld County, Colorado declares its opposition to Colorado Proposition 112, Minimum Distance Requirements for New Oil, Gas, and Fracking Projects Initiative

**ADOPTED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018, by the Board of Directors of the Fort Lupton Fire Protection District.

  
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