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### **Protecting Ocean City: Local Organization Takes a Stand Against Offshore Industrialization**

Ocean City, Maryland – In the face of impending doom for Ocean City, Maryland, a newly-formed organization, Save Ocean City (SOC), is rallying the community to protect the treasured coastal city. The organization is dedicated to preserving the natural beauty, marine life, and economic vitality of the region, which is under imminent threat from the scheduled installation of offshore wind turbines.

While offshore wind is presented as clean, green energy solution, the SOC organization is taking a stand against this misleading information. The beautiful coastal haven that is Ocean City, Maryland is under attack. The ocean that has allowed generations of commercial fishermen to thrive will be permanently altered, families that return year after year to create memories will no longer enjoy uninterrupted sunrises, and a place where local small businesses thrive, would be devastatingly destroyed.

The SOC organization has a very clear mission: stop offshore wind turbines. The group has gathered their community to spread an important message—“We are not against renewable energy, but we know that the current plan for offshore wind turbines is too close to our coastline and has not been fully vetted for its long-term impacts,” said spokesperson, Kevin Gibbs of Save Ocean City.

#### **Save Ocean City has outlined several key concerns:**

**Visual Impact:** The proposed offshore wind turbines would be installed just 11 miles from the coast, threaten to dramatically and permanently transform the beloved sunrise views that define Ocean City, Maryland. The towering structures stand over 800 feet tall, which is 3x the height of the Statue of Liberty

**Environmental Risks:** Offshore wind turbines would disrupt local marine life, including fish, birds, and ponies. The massive structures are susceptible to falling apart and littering the oceans, which poses a threat of having to permanently close our beaches.

**Economic Implications:** The Ocean City economy relies heavily on tourism. The turbines would deter visitors, causing local small businesses to suffer.



In response to these concerns, SOC is actively engaging with local business owners, environmental experts, and the broader community, advocating to stop offshore wind turbines.

SOC is calling on residents, business owners, and visitors to join the movement by signing a petition, donating, and voicing their concerns to the governor.

“This is not just about today—it’s about the future of Ocean City,” said Danny Robinson. “We owe it to our children and grandchildren to protect this beautiful place and ensure it remains a cherished destination for generations to come.”

For more information about Save Ocean City and how you can get involved, please visit [saveoceancity.org](http://saveoceancity.org) or email [saveoceancitymd@gmail.com](mailto:saveoceancitymd@gmail.com).

### **About Save Ocean City**

Save Ocean City is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit dedicated to protecting our coastline. As an independent, non-partisan, all-volunteer group, we represent the residents, homeowners, business owners, and fishermen of Ocean City, Maryland.