Resolution No. R-016- 069

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

RESOLUTION OPPOSING COLORADO BALLOT INITIATIVE 78, MANDATORY SETBACK FROM OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, Colorado's economy is strong and job growth continues at a steady pace, and

WHEREAS, our state's oil and natural gas industry supports more than 100,000 jobs and contributes more than \$30 billion in economic activity to the state, and

WHEREAS, this industry contributes hundreds of millions of dollars to public services ranging from education to transportation to public safety, and

WHEREAS, ballot initiative #78 establishes extreme setbacks from new oil and natural gas operations that threaten to eliminate these industry jobs and economic contributions, and

WHEREAS, a recent report by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission concludes that the initiative will ban 90% of Colorado from oil and natural gas development, and

WHEREAS, these setbacks would allow government to take private property, including mineral rights, from Coloradans without compensation, and

WHEREAS, the economic impact from this initiative will financially cripple Colorado families both in and outside the oil and natural gas industry.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Douglas County Commissioners opposes this ballot measure and encourages our Colorado residents to decline to sign these petitions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 2016, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

DAVID A. WEAVER, Chair

MEGHAN MCCANN, Deputy Clerk