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The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden,

In light of the situation in the Ukraine and the economic sanctions that have been imposed upon Russia for their invasion, we formally request that your administration place our country on a clear and present path to energy autonomy. For decades now our country has been blessed with resources and technology that have launched us from energy dependent to energy independent; however, even at our current pace of fossil fuel energy production we are still dependent on a global fossil fuel energy marketplace which will always be outside our control. An energy autonomy plan must be developed that properly restores our domestic energy independence.

We want to make clear that our desire for energy autonomy does not outpace the need to ensure environmental stewardship. We also request that thoughtful considerations be made for our environment as we begin our steady and necessary march towards complete energy independence. Charlotte County, Florida is far too aware of the risks and dangers that accelerated energy independence can bring, as we and other Gulf of Mexico counties have seen it all over our shores.

Our county government believes strongly that an energy autonomy plan is necessary. On behalf of the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners we request that you invest in American energy resources and American jobs and reduce our dependance on foreign oil.

Sincerely,

William G. Truex, Chairman
Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners

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