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10th December 2021

**Each Local Authority** To/

At the Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 1st November 2021, the following resolution was agreed:

"Sligo County Council calls upon Minister Eamon Ryan to refuse to grant a prospecting license to Flintridge Resources (Galantas) for almost 50 townlands in North Leitrim. We stand with communities in Leitrim who have voiced their clear opposition to this carbon heavy, energy intensive gold mining industry. We also stand with our colleagues in Leitrim County Council who unanimously voiced their opposition to the granting of this license. Companies like the one to which the Minister intends to grant a license have no role to play in helping create a sustainable future for this and future generations in the region. The industry is long associated with negative impacts on the landscape, air and water quality, carbon emissions, and the displacement of and/or negative impacts on existing industries like tourism and agriculture. We ask the Minister to listen to the thousands of people who have made objections to this proposal. We also encourage other local authorities around the country to voice their opposition."

It was also agreed to circulate this motion to all other local authorities for their support.

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