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Writing in SUPPORT of licensing:

“I am a commercial real estate broker and have been in the shopping center field for over 40 years. The proposed casino is a very creative reuse of a vacant department store building. This four department store mall currently has only one operating anchor tenant, Boscov`s. Without creative reuse of some of these large spaces this 800,000 sq ft mall could soon become a blight on the community and the township could lose a significant source of real estate taxes. There is more than sufficient parking for the proposed use and it bring foot traffic to the mall.”

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Fabio Candela <newstart2019fc@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 26, 2018 1:00 PM
To: GB, Board Clerk
Subject: Casino in York

I'm just going to say that bringing a Casino to the York Galleria Mall is a fantastic idea. I hope it all goes through. This means more jobs and it will be better for the mall. My VOTE is in for this.

Sent from my iPhone
Thank You

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Tom Keasey <tomkeasey@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2018 8:29 AM
To: GB, Board Clerk
Subject: PNG's Application - Hollywood-York

To whom it may concern: I

am sending this Email to the PA Gaming Control Board to offer my support of Penn National Gaming's application to place a "mini-casino" in a recently closed anchor store in the York Galleria. When the mall opened in late 1980s, the mall contained four anchor stores surrounded by many smaller specialty stores and chain restaurants which frequently occupy malls. In the last two decades or so, and with the coming of on-line shopping, American's shopping patterns have changed. Such changes haven't boded well for all but the largest malls. In the case of the York Galleria, the mall lost all but one of its anchor stores; with two in less than three months.

The York Galleria is an excellent location, being centrally located within York County and it has easy access to I-83 and Rt. #30 which are the two main traffic arteries crossing through the county. Secondly, the vacant Sears store is an ideal location for a "mini-casino", the store has plenty of space inside and adjacent parking outside.

A "mini-casino" would be the first step in helping to revive or re-brand a property that is now being largely underutilized and has many vacant storefronts. A "mini-casino" would offer the potential of seeing new restaurants and businesses with jobs, not including those directly tied to the "mini-casino" coming into the mall. With the "mini-casino's" proximity to other shopping centers and restaurants everyone in Springettsbury Twp. will benefit.

Will improvements need to be made in and around the site of the "mini-casino"; and will there be opposition? The answer to both questions is Yes and Yes. Given Penn National Gaming's track record in operating in other locations, I am sure they have addressed any and all issues which might be raised.

I can remember the opposition that was raised when Penn National Gaming outlined its plans to open an "off-track betting parlor" in York along Rt. #30. Now, after many years, many persons drive past it, without realizing it's there.

Finally, I live in a senior living community in York, and one of the most popular off-campus trips are those made to Penn National's Hollywood Casino in Grantville to enjoy dinner, slots, table-games and thoroughbred horse racing. While horse racing won't be available at "Hollywood-York" three out of four would still make for an enjoyable outing! Go for it – Let it happen!!!

Tom Keasey

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Dear Sirs,

10/6/18

I AM writing this letter to say
I AM in favor of the Hollywood Casino
at the York Galleria.

I'm hoping that being in favor of the
Casino it will bring revenue into
the township.

Attract new business in the form of
Stores + Restaurants.

And most of all new jobs for the
Area.

I think this will boost the York
Galleria needs.

I'm hoping you take this letter into
consideration when making your
final vote.

Best wishes,

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Writing in SUPPORT of licensing

My wife and I are lifelong residents of Springettsbury Township. We have seen businesses come and go and the properties reappear in a different form. This is progress, good progress. I am amazed at the detractors who warn that a casino will usher crime and other vices to the area. The Casino business is one of the most closely regulated commercial businesses, by the State. Placing a casino in Springettsbury Township, we feel is a big PLUS for the area that will bring in additional jobs, revenue to the Township, and reinventing a declining shopping area to a vital, growing area. We are totally in favor of a Casino being placed in the vacant Sears building. We would also hope that it be opened as a smoke free facility.

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Has WRITTEN in SUPPORT of licensing :

Dear Members of the Pennsylvania Gaming Board,

The York County Convention & Visitors Bureau proudly offers our support to Penn National Gaming's plan to bring a mini-casino to Springettsbury Township. As York County's Official Tourist Promotion Agency, we look forward to the added job opportunities, increased tourism possibilities, and marketing opportunities a facility such as this will bring to the area.

A casino in this area will only add to an already robust list of attractions for visitors hailing both in and out of our state to enjoy. Tourism is a billion-dollar industry, in York County alone tourism had an economic impact of more than \$900 million. We look forward to seeing that number grow with this addition.

*Sincerely,
Laura Gurreri*

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York County Economic Alliance

November 1, 2018

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
Attn: Board Secretary
P.O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, PA 17406

Re: Mountainview Thoroughbred Racing Association/Penn National Gaming's Proposed Category 4 Facility in York County

Dear Gaming Control Board:

The York County Economic Alliance ("YCEA") wishes to lend its support to Penn National Gaming's proposed "Hollywood Casino York" Category 4 facility in Springettsbury Township, York County. It is our belief that this project will have both a one-time and long-term economic impact on the local economy.

Penn National reached out to the YCEA shortly after securing the first auction for a Category 4 facility in the Commonwealth. They have actively engaged with our staff since January regarding potential locations, workforce development, and community partnerships. The YCEA appreciates their willingness to forge relationships well in advance of the opening of their proposed casino, and we are confident that Penn National Gaming will be a beneficial partner in our community well into the future.

As indicated in their Economic Impact Statement, Hollywood Casino York is expected to create:

- \$41.1 million in one-time economic impact in Springettsbury Township, supporting 271 jobs and \$14 million in earnings;
- \$59.9 million one-time impact in York County, supporting 400 jobs and \$19.8 million in earnings; and
- \$68.8 million one-time impact in the Commonwealth, supporting 440 jobs and \$22.2 million in earnings.

Construction for the casino is also expected to generate tax revenues for the Commonwealth for the duration of the project. It is estimated that up-front construction is expected to provide approximately \$930,000 in income, sales, and business tax revenues.

Ongoing operations of the proposed development are expected to have significant annual impacts on the regional and state economy. Within the first year of operation, the economic impact of the casino is expected to represent approximately:

- \$50.9 million in one-time economic impact within the Township economy, supporting 220 jobs and \$6.7 million in earnings;
- \$72.2 million in one-time economic impact within York County, supporting 370 jobs and \$12.0 million in earnings; and
- \$77.9 million in one-time economic impact within the Commonwealth economy, supporting 400 jobs and \$13.6 million in earnings.

Ongoing operations of the proposed development are also expected to increase various tax bases and therefore generate tax revenues for the Commonwealth. It is estimated that ongoing operations is expected to produce \$800,000 in tax revenues for the Commonwealth within the first year of operation



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and nearly \$1.0 million at stabilization. This economic impact includes new income and business taxes from the direct, indirect, and induced economic activity generated by the proposed development.

Hollywood Casino York will be a significant new economic engine in Springettsbury Township, and the YCEA looks forward to partnering with Penn National Gaming to leverage the collaboration, resources, and expertise needed to create sustainable prosperity in York County.

Sincerely,



Kevin J. Schreiber,
President/CEO
York County Economic Alliance

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Writes the following in OPPOSITION to the licensing:

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to say that I am adamantly opposed to a casino opening in York County, PA for the following reasons:

- 1. The poverty level in York County is almost 10%. We do not need a vice such as casino gambling to be made so easily accessible to people who can not afford to lose money (and there are by far more losses than wins at a casino). It is a huge temptation for those who are struggling financially to frequent a casino.*
 - 2. We have a huge opioid addiction epidemic in York County and do not need a casino to feed another addiction, casino gambling, that could and would contribute to the problems of poverty and addiction. Addiction doesn't only affect the addict but the family and the community as well. It's one heck of a price to pay to make someone else rich.*
 - 3. We have heard it said before, the PA lottery, that the lottery would be a huge help to the senior citizens. We haven't seen evidence of that! Many senior centers were forced to close or fund raise for themselves due to lack of funding. So the claim, that a casino will help lower our taxes and be a boon to the local economy, is just that, an unsubstantiated claim. These are empty words speaking the language that some people will buy into. It sounds like an easy fix but it's not. Supposedly, the lottery has "raised" \$28,000,000,000 for seniors since 1972. That sounds like a lot until you break it down per year, per county and per senior-not much at all.*
 - 4. The overwhelming opinion expressed, of those who've attended meetings and just the community at large, has been against a casino in York County. By supporting a casino opening in our community, the Springettsbury board of supervisors is doing our community a huge disservice. They are not listening to what the people who they are elected to represent want. Instead, they are deciding what they think is best for our community.*
 - 5. Let's face it, the purpose of a casino is to make money for those who own/run it not to improve the lives of those who gamble there.*
- I hope you will take into consideration the reasons I've stated above for not wanting a casino in York and listen to the people and make the right decision for our community. This is something that should be voted on by the community, not the board of supervisors.*

Lloyd, Linda (PGCB)

From: Joanna <waph4evr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2018 7:23 PM
To: GB, Board Clerk
Subject: Casino Hearing Springettsbury Township
Attachments: CASINO .docx

Since I am unable to attend, attached is my objection with the reasons why. Thank you. Joanna Martin 505 Marion Rd., York, PA 17406

SUBMITTED BY: JOANNA MARTIN – 505 MARION RD.

IN JULY, 2018, AFTER I FOUND OUT THAT GAMING WAS BEING CONSIDERED FOR YORK, I FELT THAT I WOULD NOT LIKE GAMING HERE. SINCE I DID NOT WANT ANY PERSONAL BIAS TO DETER A “GOOD THING” FOR THE COMMUNITY, I DECIDED TO SEE WHAT RESEARCH/ INVESTIGATIONS WERE ON THE internet about the IMPACT OF GAMING TO AN AREA. ALL RESEARCH CONDUCTED WAS TO FIGURE OUT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TYPES OF BUSINESSES OFFERING GAMING. WHETHER THE BIG FIXED CASINOS LIKE LAS VEGAS OR SMALLER CASINOS LIKE SHAKOPEE MN or RIVERBOATS OR INDIAN RESERVATIONS. THE STUDY RESULTS WERE BASICALLY THE SAME IN ALL TYPES. FIRST, I FOUND A FEDERAL COMMITTEE WAS COMMISSIONED TO FIND OUT THE WHY GAMBLING HAS BECOME THE LARGEST ADDICTION PROBLEM IN OUR COUNTRY. THEY HAD SOME INTERSTING FINDINGS:

- 1) GAMBLING ADDICTION IS THE ONLY ADDICTION THAT CUTS ACROSS ALL SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL, RACIAL, CULTURAL OR GENDER CLASSES. EVERYONE IS A POTENTIAL “VICTIM” TO THIS ADDICTION.
- 2) PROXIMITY IS THE KEY FOR A GAMBLING ADDICTION-THE GREATER THE ACCESS, THE

- GREATER THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME ADDICTED AND GREATER THE ADDICTION.
- 3) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCREASED IN ALL HOUSEHOLDS WHERE THIS ADDICTION WAS FOUND.
 - 4) THE HIGHEST SUICIDE RATE IS FOUND IN THIS ONE ADDICTION OF ALL THE TYPES OF ADDICTIONS. CAUCASIAN MALES WERE THE MOST SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR SUICIDE ATTEMPT.
 - 5) THE GAMING INDUSTRY DOES SUPPLY SOME JOBS BUT DOES NOT SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH. IT CREATES AN "UNDERCLASS" THAT REGULARLY LOSES MONEY TO A BIG COMPANY OR CORPORATION OWNING A GAMING BUSINESS.
 - 6) PRIMARY PROPONENTS OF GAMING ARE THE "OWNERS" OF THE BUSINESSES.
 - 7) 3% OF THE GAMBLERS YIELD 30% OF THE GAMING REVENUE FOR CASINOS PER THE LATEST ESTIMATE.

OTHER STUDIES DONE BY SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES ON THE SOCIAL/ECONOMIC IMPACT OF GAMING IN A COMMUNITY FOUND THE FOLLOWING THINGS:

- 1) CRIME INCREASED.'
- 2) IT IMPACTED THE NUMBER OF POLICE, EMERGENCY PERSONNEL/EQUIPMENT AND HOSPITAL SERVICES NEEDED TO HANDLE THE OUTCOME OF HUMAN BEHAVIOR. THIS WAS A RESULT OF IMPAIRED DRIVING, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND ADDICT'S NEED TO FEED THIS

ADDICTION THROUGH ANY MEANS THAT COULD BE FOUND.

- 3) LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES FAILED AND DID NOT RETURN AS MONIES WERE BEING SPENT AT THE CASINOS. IT IMPACTED THE LARGER STORES WHO NEEDED FEWER EMPLOYEES AND THUS A SMALLER FOOTPRINT FOR THEIR RETAIL STORE OPERATIONS.
- MONEY HAS TO BE FOUND FROM SOMEWHERE TO MAKE UP AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE FOR THE SHORTFALL OF “GAMING REVENUE” IN ORDER TO PAY FOR THESE INCREASED COSTS OF PERSONNEL EQUIPMENT AND BUSINESSES WHICH WERE NO LONGER THERE TO HELP PAY THE COSTS.
- 4) PROSTITUTION AND DRUGS INCREASED.
- 5) MONEY IS NEEDED FOR THE DIRECT REGULATORY COSTS IN A LOCALITY WHERE GAMING BUSINESSES OPERATE.
- 6) SOCIAL SERVICES COSTS – UNEMPLOYMENT, TREATMENT FOR THE ADDICTS, ANXIETY & DEPRESSION, STRESS-RELATED HEART PROBLEMS AND COGNITIVE DISORDERS RELATED TO THE ADDICTION.
- 7) FAMILY COSTS- DIVORCE, SEPARATION, CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.

I RESEARCHED 4 PA TOWNSHIPS THAT HAVE GAMING BUSINESSES WHICH ARE CONSIDERED “SMALLER”,

AND FOUND 3 WITH RELIABLE CRIME STATISTICS THAT SHOWED AN INCREASE IN CRIME:

- WHARTON TOWNSHIP FARED THE WORST WITH SIX TIMES THE CRIME IT HAS HAD IN THE 3 YEARS PRIOR TO THE ENTRANCE OF GAMBLING;
- EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP HAS HAD ONLY DOUBLE THE CRIME RATE VERSUS THE 2 YEARS PRIOR TO OPENING OF GAMING;
- SALISBURY TOWNSHIP FARED THE BEST WITH ONLY A CRIME RATE INCREASE OF 2 ½ TIMES THE RATE PRIOR TO OPENING IN 9 YEARS;
- UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP (ONLY TOWNSHIP NOT SERVICED BY THE STATE POLICE) HAS SOME UNVERIFIABLE CRIME STATISTICS, SO RELIABLE CRIME RATE CANNOT BE DIRECTLY DETERMINED. UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP HAS SOME BIG INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSES LIKE LOCKHEED-MARTIN AND GLAXOKLINESMITH WHO DIRECTLY HELP FUND THE POLICE BUDGET, WHICH SPRINGETTSBURY DOES NOT HAVE TO HELP RELIEVE SOME OF THE BURDEN. TAKING THE MOST MODEST RELIABLE STATISTIC OF DOUBLE THE CRIME RATE TIMES THE 565 CRIME IN SPRINGETTSBURY DURING THE LAST 6 MONTHS WOULD BE 1,130 CRIMES IN A 6 MONTH PERIOD. IT SEEMS AN INCREASE IN THE POLICE BUDGET WOULD BE NEEDED TO MEET THE CRIME INCREASE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ONLY.

THEN, THERE IS NO MENTION OF THE \$252,000 THAT IS NEEDED FOR UPGRADES FOR WATER AND SEWER. WHO IS PAYING FOR THE WATER AND SEWER UPGRADES???

THE STATE IS PAID THE GAMING AND LICENSING FEES. SO FAR, PENN NATIONAL HAS PAID \$52.6 MILLION FOR OPENING 750 SLOT MACHINES AND WILL PAY ANOTHER \$2.5 MILLION FOR 40 TABLE GAMES IN THE "OLD SEARS LOCATION".

PENNSYLVANIA IS ONLY SECOND TO NEVADA IN CASINO REVENUE IN THE U.S. NEVADA HAS HAD A BUDGET IN THE RED FOR YEARS. IT IS CURRENTLY RATED 46 OUT OF 50 FOR THE WORST RUN STATES AND LEAST FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE (50 IS THE WORST). HOW WOULD WE FARE BETTER?

IN CASE YOU THINK THAT GAMING WAS JUST A RECENT DEVELOPMENT, GO GACK TO 1972 AND READ TITLE 4 WHICH WAS PASSED FOR THE SALE OF LOTTERY TICKETS TO FUND THE "SENIOR CITIZENS". (THIS STATUTE WAS CALLED: AMUSEMENTS.)

THERE IS A PLETHORA OF DEFINITIONS FOR ALL TYPES OF GAMING, INCLUDING DEFINITIONS OF SLOT MACHINES, ETC. TITLE 4 WAS AMENDED IN 2004 WHICH FURTHER DEFINED GAMING ALONG WITH RELATED ISSUES. IN 2017 THERE WAS ACT 42 TO ALLOW the "MINI-CASINOS". THIS SOURCE OF REVENUE HAS BEEN WELL PLANNED OUT BY OUR LEGISLATORS, WHO REFUSE TO BE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE LIKE THE ORDINARY HOUSEHOLD.

THEY KNOWS THAT YOU CANNOT CONTINUALLY SPEND MORE THAN YOU TAKE IN WITHOUT FACING BANKRUPTCY ONE DAY. THIS IS WITHOUT EVEN CONSIDERING THE ISSUE OF MORAL RESPONSIBILITY.

IT IS ALLEGED ON 9/25/18 (ACCORDING TO SPRINGETTSBURY TOWNSHIP WEBSITE) THAT THE STATE TAX REVENUE FROM CASINOS REDUCED PROPERTY TAXES FOR ALL PENNSYLVANIA PROPERTY OWNERS. BUT I PERSONALLY HAVE NOT SEEN A PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION SINCE I MOVED HERE IN 1991. OTHER THAN HORSE RACING, GAMING STARTED IN EARNEST IN 2007. WHO IS GETTING THE TAX REDUCTIONS?

IT SEEMS THE TOWNSHIP IS LOOKING AT WHAT APPEARS TO BE A MONETARY WINDFALL, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY.

MY CONCLUSION AFTER THIS RESEARCH IS WHY ANYONE WOULD THINK THAT GAMING HERE IS A GOOD IDEA?

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Writing in OPPOSITION to licensing

I oppose the Penn National Category 4 York County slots facility due to the expected increase in crime and criminal activity in the surrounding community. Along with the increase costs for police and safety required our township supervisors should vote NO to proceed with the application for this type of usage. There are greater needs in Springettsbury Township than to increase our already crowded County prison.

October 31, 2018

PA Gaming Control Board
P.O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear PA Gaming Control Board Members,

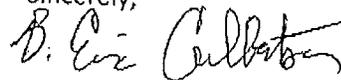
Attached is a petition signed by my neighbors in the Hill section of Haines Acres opposing Penn National's proposed casino to be brought into the York Galleria Mall. We do not want a casino in our community. As you can see from the petition, just from my block of two streets and a cul-de-sac, that over 80% of residents oppose the casino. You can extrapolate that across all of Springettsbury Township to get an idea of the opposition.

Four neighbors shared how gambling had disrupted the lives of either themselves or a near relative. One person's father gambled heavily and disrupted their home. Another neighbor had a relative who embezzled money to support his addiction. Another had a relative who owes more on their home mortgage after 10 years than the original loan amount. Another had a relative who lost a marriage.

Statistics show crime rates will go up, property values will go down, there will be more traffic in an already congested traffic area and lives will be destroyed through gambling addiction.

So we the people of Springettsbury Township are opposed to a casino coming into the Galleria Mall.

Sincerely,



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We, the undersigned, are opposed to Penn National bringing a casino to Springettsbury Township:

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William Pitsch	3230 Lynwood Ln York, PA 17402	William Pitsch
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Norman Lightner	3271 Dorsett Ln, York, PA 17402	Norman Lightner
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AUSTIN TIERNEY	3245 DORSETT LN, YORK PA 17402	Austin Tierney
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