COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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PUBLIC MEETING

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BEFORE: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

DENISE J. SMYLER, CHAIR

Frank Dermody

Shawn Dillon

Sara Manzano-Díaz

Nedia Ralston

Frances J. Regan

George Dunbar

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS/DESIGNEES IN ATTENDANCE:

Fred Strathmeyer, Ex-Officio Member,

Department of Agriculture

Adria Zimmerman, Ex-Officio Member,

Department of Revenue

Jennifer Langan, Ex-Officio Member,

Department of Treasury

MEETING: Wednesday, April 23, 2025

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3 PA GAMING CONTROL BOARD EXECUTIVE STAFF WHO APPEARED

4 BEFORE THE BOARD:

- 5 Kevin O'Toole, Executive Director
- 6 David Rhen, Director of Financial Management
- 7 Heidi Zula, Human Resources Director
- 8 Steve Cook, Chief Counsel
- 9 Denise Miller-Tshudy, Senior Counsel
- 10 Chad Zimmermann, Deputy Chief Counsel
- 11 Robert Wood, Senior Counsel
- 12 | Sean Hannon, Director of Bureau of Licensing
- 13 Cyrus Pitre, Chief Enforcement Counsel

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15 Office of Enforcement Counsel - Also presenting:

- 16 | Michelle Fogle, Assistant Enforcement Counsel, Dustin
- 17 | Miller, Deputy Enforcement Counsel, Andrea Roberts,
- 18 | Assistant Enforcement Counsel, John Crohe, Senior
- 19 | Enforcement Counsel, Thomas Monaghan, Assistant
- 20 | Enforcement Counsel, Michael Roland, Senior
- 21 Enforcement Counsel

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- 23 ALSO PRESENT WERE:
- 24 | Sean McNulty

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CHAIR: Good morning. I'm Denise Smyler, Chair of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control I would like to ask everyone to please

silence your cell phones and all electronic devices at this time.

Before we begin today's meeting, I would like to welcome our newest Board member, George Dunbar. George has been appointed by the House of Representatives Republican Leader, Jesse Topper, and was sworn in on April 1st.

For those of you who may not be aware, George brings great experience with him to the Board. He was a State Representative from 2011 through 2023, representing the 56th Legislative District in Westmoreland County. During his tenure in the House of Representatives, Commissioner Dunbar served as the Chairman of the House Republican Caucus, as well as Majority Vice Chair of the House Appropriations and Finance Committees. Previously -.

(WHEREUPON, THERE WAS A BRIEF INTERRUPTION IN THE PROCEEDINGS)

 $\underline{\text{MR. DUNBAR:}}$ It was a really nice introduction, though.

CHAIR: I'm not finished. Previously,

George served as the Controller and Chief Financial

Officer at Ryco Incorporated, operated his own

business, Dunbar Consulting and Accounting, and

worked as the Executive Vice President at Wright

Industries, Inc.

He has also always been engaged in his community, functioning in a variety of different roles. Unfortunately, our limited time here today does not allow me to go into great detail regarding all of those activities. Suffice it to say, however, that without a doubt, George's experience, knowledge and perspective will prove to be a great asset to this Board. So please join me in welcoming Commissioner Dunbar.

MR. DUNBAR: Thank you, Madam Chair. It's my honor to be part of this body and continue serving the constituents of Pennsylvania.

CHAIR: Wonderful. All right. With seven Board Members present, I'd like to now call today's meeting to order. I would also like to note for the record that in addition to the seven Board Members, we also have our Ex-Officio Members. Fred

Strathmeyer, representing Russell Redding, Secretary for the Department of Agriculture. Adria Zimmerman, representing Pat Browne, Secretary for the Department of Revenue. And Jennifer Langan, representing Stacy Garrity, State Treasurer. Thank you, Ex-Officio's for joining us.

As the first order of business, I'd like to now ask everyone to please stand and join me in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

(PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE)

CHAIR: By way of announcements, the Board held an Executive Session yesterday, Tuesday, April 22nd, to discuss personnel matters and to conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relating to matters coming before the Board. I would now like to ask for approval of the Board Meeting Transcript and Minutes from February 26, 2025 Meeting. May I have a motion?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,
Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board
approve the Minutes and the Transcript of February
26, 2025 Meeting.

 $\underline{\text{MS. RALSTON:}} \quad \text{Commissioner Ralston,} \\ \text{seconds.}$

CHAIR: All in favor?

(AYES RESPOND)

2 CHAIR: All opposed?

3 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion passes.

Now we will hear from our Executive Director, Kevin O'Toole. Kevin?

MR. O'TOOLE: Good Morning Chair
Smyler and Members of the Board. The Board's Office
of Communications issued its press release this past
Monday, April the 21st, to report the combined total
revenue generated during March of 2025 from all forms
of gaming, along with Fantasy contests.

And I'd like to begin with a caveat that these are aggregate figures, and when we talk about the aggregate figures of all the land based casinos and all of the iGaming operators in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, fortunately they have always been terrific figures and they continue to be terrific figures. That doesn't mean that every operator or every land-based casino are necessarily meeting their own expectations, but I can guarantee that they all work extremely hard to meet their own goals. But when we do get a chance to add everything up of all these operators, the figures are outstanding.

And March has traditionally been a very good month for revenue growth and this past month was no exception. March of 2025 generated \$574.5 million in aggregated revenue, an increase of 3.59 percent over aggregate revenue of \$554.6 million in March of 2024.

Highlighting the report for March of 2025 was a significant year-over-year jump in iGaming revenue. This past month, iGaming revenue was more than \$47 million higher than the revenue generated in March of 2024, representing an increase of 24.67 percent.

One area that showed a decline in March year-over-year was sports wagering revenue. The revenue for sports wagering in March of 2025 was slightly over \$27 million, a 40 percent decline from sports wagering revenue in March of 2024. It appears the patrons did very well during March Madness of this year, and that's always a good thing.

Total gaming taxes, and that's always good to talk about too. Paid to the Commonwealth from all forms of gaming during March 2025 was \$244.3 million. That represents a 6.43 percent increase over March of 2024's tax revenue, which generated \$229.5 million. Overall, March of 2025 showed a

positive growth in revenue when all sources of revenue was aggregated.

Additionally, I'd like to mention the figures for the first quarter of 2025, which as you know is the third quarter of the fiscal year '24-'25. That also shows an increase in aggregate revenue of approximately \$50 million over the aggregate revenue in the first quarter of 2024. And that represents a 3.27 percent increase.

That's my report for today. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR: Thank you very much, Kevin.

Good news. Now we will hear from our Director of

Financial Management, David Rhen. Dave?

MR. RHEN: Good morning, Chair. Good morning, Chair Smyler and Board Members. Today I would like to provide a report of Board expenses through March 31st or the end of the third quarter of the fiscal year. Through the third quarter, Board expenses totaled \$40.4 million against an appropriation of \$57.2 million. This continues to be in line with expectations.

Expenditures for the year are up \$2.8 million from the same date last fiscal year due to the expansion of the Agency complement and I.T.

modernization efforts. Eighty-nine (89) percent of total costs to date, or \$35.8 million have gone for payroll expenses. This includes \$20.9 million for salaries and \$14.9 million for benefits.

Benefits as a percentage of salary costs are 69 percent for the year. Total payroll expenses are up \$1.6 million.

Operating expenses total to \$4.6 million through the third quarter. This is up \$1.2 million from last year, again, due to the I.T. modernization efforts. The largest operating expenses were \$2.1 million, or 46 percent of total operating expenses for services, predominantly I.T. modernization and interagency billings from other Commonwealth agencies. Followed by \$1.2 million for rentals and leases and \$911,000 for other operating expenses, which includes fingerprint and database fees related to background investigations.

That concludes my report.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments for Dave? There are none. Thank you so much, Dave.

Next is Human Resources Director Heidi

23 Zula. Heidi?

MS. ZULA: Good morning, Madam Chair and Members of the Board. The Office of Human

Resources has one motion for your consideration today relative to the hiring of four individuals. All individuals have completed the background investigation and drug screening and are ready for presentation to the Board.

Amber Wade has been selected as a Compliance Examiner with the Bureau of Gaming Operations and is recommended for hire by Paul Resch, Director of Gaming Operations.

Krista Kissinger has been selected as an Investigator for the Bureau of Investigations and Enforcement and is recommended for hire by Paul Mauro, Director of Investigations and Enforcement.

Kimberly Hough has been selected as a Casino Compliance representative at Parx Casino Shippensburg and is recommended for hire by Greg Hazzouri, Director of Casino Compliance.

And Heath Cohen has been selected as a Casino Compliance Representative at the Casino at Nemacolin and is recommended for hire by Greg Hazzouri, Director of Casino Compliance.

Unless you have any questions, I ask that the Board consider a motion to approve the hiring actions as indicated.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

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May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   moves that the Board approve the applicants for hire
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   as proposed by the Human Resource Director.
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
                           All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   MS. ZULA: Thank you.
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                           Thank you, Heidi. Next is our
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   OCC.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK:
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                   CHAIR: Morning.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Our first agenda item
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   this morning relates to a request for a Local Law
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   Enforcement Grant, which will be presented by Senior
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   Counsel Denise Miller-Tshudy.
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                   ATTORNEY MILLER-TSHUDY: Good morning.
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   I have one Local Law Enforcement Grant for you today.
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   It is from the Delaware County District Attorney's
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   office. They're seeking $250,000. They've
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previously established a gaming task force that is

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composed of one ADA, and one detective, and they work
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   with local agencies and other law enforcement.
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   awarded, the grant will fund salaries and benefits of
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   the two individuals, as well as overtime,
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   investigations and funds for miscellaneous expenses.
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                   I ask for a motion to approve.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Regan moves that the Board approve the Local Law
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   Enforcement Grant application as described by the
   OCC.
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                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Next. We have a
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   temporary regulation which Senior Counsel Robert Wood
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   will present.
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                   ATTORNEY WOOD: Good morning, Madam
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   Chair, Members of the Board. This morning I have one
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   item for the Board's consideration, Temporary
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Rulemaking Number 125-253, which provides Table Game
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   Rules and Procedures. This package contains new
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   table game variations and additional side wager
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   configuration options. It provides for three new
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   variations on the game of roulette, a variation on
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   the game of blackjack and several blackjack side
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   wager configuration options.
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                   Prior to this morning's meeting, a
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   copy of the Rulemaking was provided to the Board for
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   your review and consideration. If you have any
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   questions, I'd be happy to answer them this morning.
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   If not, I would ask the Board for a motion to approve
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   this temporary Rulemaking.
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                   CHAIR: Any comments or questions?
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CHAIR: Any comments or questions?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board adopt
Temporary Regulation Number 125-253 regarding Table
Games Rules and Procedures, as described by the OCC.

20 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon

21 seconds.

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22 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

23 (AYES RESPOND)

24 CHAIR: All opposed?

25 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion passes.

ATTORNEY WOOD: Thank you.

ATTORNEY COOK: The next matter before the Board today is consideration of a Board Resolution authorizing the sealing of all filings made at the Board's Office of Hearings and Appeals when an individual successfully petitions to be removed from the Board's voluntary - or I'm sorry, Involuntary Exclusion List.

Pursuant to Board regulations, a person placed on the Involuntary Exclusion List can petition for removal after five years. At present, the documents filed of record relating to the person's placement on or removal from the Involuntary Exclusion List remain in the public domain.

In recent years, the Board has been receiving an increased number of requests that the Board records be sealed, as advancements in online search engine capabilities and artificial intelligence have made finding these records much easier. This, in turn, has caused people who have otherwise rehabilitated themselves from prior bad conduct to lose employment and educational opportunities.

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across the country passing Clean Slate laws in the
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   criminal court arena, more readily allowing the
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   expungement of less serious criminal convictions, the
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   OCC would ask that the Board approve Resolution
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   2025-2-OCC, authorizing the sealing of involuntary
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   exclusion records if and when a person successfully
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   petitions for removal from the Involuntary Exclusion
   List and this matter is now ready for the Board's
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   consideration.
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CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner

Dillon moves that the Board approve Resolution 2025-2-OCC, directing the OHA to seal the records of individuals who have been removed from the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List as described by the OCC.

MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar seconds.

19 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

20 (AYES RESPOND)

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21 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion's adopted.

24 <u>ATTORNEY COOK:</u> Thank you. Next 25 before the Board are five petitions. Each of these petitions have been provided to the Board in advance of this meeting as well as the Board being provided with the complete documentary record. In each of these actions, the OEC has no objection to the requested relief. As such, each of these matters can be decided on the documents.

The first Petition before the Board today is American Gaming and Electronics, Inc.'s request for approval of a change in control.

American Gaming and Electronics is a company that services, repairs and provides parts for gaming equipment. Prior to December 2024, the company's ownership interest consisted of six shareholders, with one in particular, Anthony Tomasello, holding an 85 percent interest.

Mr. Tomasello has unfortunately passed away, and because of that, the company hopes to obtain Board approval of a change of control.

Specifically, Mr. Tomasello's Estate has entered into a share purchase agreement with the remaining shareholders, resulting in each of them ultimately owning a 20 percent interest in the company.

All five of these shareholders either hold or have applied for principal licenses. The OEC has no objection to this request for a change in

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control subject to conditions outlined in its Answer.
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   They've also asked that certain information be
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   maintained as confidential, and this matter is now
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   ripe for the Board's consideration.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
   Dunbar moves that the Board grant the Petition for
   Approval of Change of Control as described by the
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   OCC. I further move that the OEC's Request for
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   Confidentiality be granted.
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner
   Manzano-Díaz, second.
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                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Next is LASVIT, Inc.'s
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   Petition for removal from the Prohibited Gaming
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   Service Provider List. LASVIT, Inc. installs custom
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   glass components and intends to contract with Wind
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   Creek Bethlehem Casino.
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                   On December 20, 2011, LASVIT was
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   placed on the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List
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after they failed to cure deficiencies in their
Application for Licensure as a Registered Gaming
Service Provider. Specifically, they failed to
submit fingerprint records, which prevented the BIE
from completing the required background
investigation.

LASVIT is now requesting removal from
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the List and has agreed to complete the licensing process. The OEC has no objection, subject to conditions outlined in its Answer, and this matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board grant the Petition for Removal from the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List as described by the OCC.

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston, seconds.

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21 (AYES RESPOND)

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22 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

25 <u>ATTORNEY COOK:</u> Next is a request for

removal from the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List. On May 11, 2015, Brianna Perez, who was 18 years old at the time, used a copy of another individual's identification to gain entry to the gaming floor at the Valley Forge Casino and Resort.

Thereafter, in October of 2015, the OEC filed a Petition seeking to place Ms. Perez on the Involuntary Exclusion List. Ms. Perez failed to file an Answer to the Petition, and on January 15, 2016, the Board issued an Order placing Ms. Perez on the List until her 22nd birthday, after which she could petition for removal from the List.

On February 18, 2025, Ms. Perez filed a request for removal from the List. She did violate her exclusion one occasion in May of 2022. The OEC filed a request for removal from the List, having no objection to Ms. Perez's request despite her one violation, as it has been over six years since that occurred or since she's turned 22 and over nine years since her placement on the List. And this matter is now ready for the Board's consideration.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?
MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston

25 moves that the Board grant Brianna Perez's Petition

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for Removal from the Involuntary Exclusion List as
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   described by the OCC. I further move that Ms.
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   Perez's docket shall be sealed from public
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   inspection.
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                               Commissioner Regan
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
                   CHAIR: Motion carries.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board
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   is a request for removal from the Self-Exclusion List
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   filed by an individual with the initials J.F.
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   February 12, 2007, J.F. placed herself on the List,
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   choosing the Lifetime Self-Exclusion option.
   February 10, 2025, J.F. filed a request for removal
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   from the List stating that she would like to return
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   to gaming and detailing her plan to game responsibly.
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                   As required by Board regulations, J.F.
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   also provided the required Problem Gambling
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   Assessment Verification Form signed by a Certified
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   Assessment Provider, confirming that an assessment of
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   J.F. was performed and that problem gambling
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   treatment was not recommended.
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                   The OEC filed an Answer stating they
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   have no objection to J.F.'s request as it has been
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   over 18 years since her placement on the List and she
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   submitted all the required documentation. OEC did
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   acknowledge that J.F. had two violations of her self-
   exclusion. The most recent one was over three years
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   ago and on both of those occasions she did not game.
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                   This matter is now ripe for the
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   Board's consideration.
                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves
   that the Board grant J.F.'s Petition for Removal from
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   the Casino Self-Exclusion List as described by the
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   OCC.
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                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
                   CHAIR:
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
                           All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR:
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Next, before the Board
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   is a second request for removal from the Self-
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   Exclusion List. On April 5th, 2010, an individual
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with the initials L.S. placed herself on the List, choosing the Lifetime Self-Exclusion option.

On February 24, 2025, L.S. filed a request for removal from the List indicating that she would like to go to casinos for concerts and other events when she retires, as well as go on cruises that are sponsored by casinos.

Per the Board regulations, L.S. provided the required Problem Gambling Assessment Verification Form signed by a Certified Assessment Provider, confirming that an assessment of L.S. was performed, that the problem gambling treatment was not recommended.

The OEC filed an Answer stating it had no objection to L.S.'s request as it has been over - as it has been over 15 years since her placement on the List. She submitted all the required documentation and there has been no known violations of her self-exclusion and this matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

21 <u>CHAIR:</u> Any questions or comments? 22 May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant

L.S.'s Petition for Removal from the Casino Self-

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   Exclusion List as described by the OCC.
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                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
                           All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY COOK: Next, presenting
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   Withdrawals and Reports and Recommendations is Deputy
   Chief Counsel Chad Zimmermann.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Good morning,
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   Commissioners. The next matter before the Board
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   today pertains to several unopposed Petitions to
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   Withdraw Applications or Surrender Credentials of the
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   following individuals and entities.
                   Michael Isaacs, Scott Carcillo, Rajesh
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   Patel, Dustin Dent, Howard Esquirol, Authentic Gaming
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   Limited, Donald Westcott, TFCF Sports Enterprises,
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   LLC, Michael Heimbach, Shaun Hart, Barbara Cammegh,
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   Thomas O'Brien, Simon Hammon, John Osteraker, Erik
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   Forsberg, Evert Carlsson, Gunnel Duveblad, Henrik
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   Tjarnstrom, Johan Smedman, Keith Meister, Per Wilsby,
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   Meister Capital Management, LLC, Kenneth Shea, Lydia
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Jett, Chris Bevilacqua, Melissa Davis, Simon Gershey,

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Gregory Elinsky, Geoffrey Woo, Mark Nerenberg, Juan Duarte, Andre Bessette, Random Logic Ltd., and Sparkware Technologies SRL.
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The OEC has no objections to any of these Withdrawals or Surrenders. As a result, if the Board chooses to grant the request, it would be doing so without prejudice to the requester. These matters are all now ripe for the Board's consideration.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

May I have a motion, please?

MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner Dillon moves that the Board issue Orders to approve the Withdrawals and Surrenders as described by the OCC.

MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar seconds.

17 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

18 (AYES RESPOND)

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19 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion passes.

ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Next before the Board for consideration are six Reports and Recommendations received from the OHA. These Reports

25 and Recommendations, along with the evidentiary

record for each hearing have been provided to the Board in advance of today's meeting. Additionally, the persons have each been notified that their matter is being considered by the Board today and each would have the ability to come forward and briefly address the Board.

The first Report and Recommendation before the Board today is Michael Saghy. Mr. Saghy holds a Gaming Employee Occupation Permit and worked as a Table Games Dealer at Hollywood Casino York. On January 10, 2025, the OEC filed a Complaint for Emergency Suspension of Mr. Saghy's permit after receiving notice that he had been charged with felony offenses. As a result of these charges, the Board's Executive Director issued an Emergency Order suspending Mr. Saghy's Permit.

A hearing in this matter was held February 5, 2025. OEC appeared for the hearing and presented testimony and documentary evidence. Mr. Saghy appeared and testified on his own behalf. Evidence and testimony showed that on December 8, 2024, Mr. Saghy, while intoxicated, stole a vehicle and eventually wrecked the vehicle into a pole, resulting in him being charged with theft-related felonies, a DUI and several summary traffic offenses.

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                   Mr. Saghy testified that he hopes his
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   charges can be resolved through the Accelerated
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   Rehabilitative Disposition Program and that he
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   enjoyed working as a Table Games Dealer and hopes to
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   return that position in the future.
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                   Following the hearing, a Report and
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   Recommendation was issued recommending that the
   Emergency Suspension of Mr. Saghy's Permit remain in
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   effect and this matter is now ripe for the Board's
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   consideration.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
   Dunbar moves that the Board adopt the Report and
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   Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the
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   OCC and that the suspension of Michael Saghy's Gaming
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   Employee Occupation Permit will remain in effect.
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner
   Manzano-Díaz second.
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                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: John Mangol's
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matter is the next before the Board. On July 2nd, 2024, the OEC filed a Petition to place John Mangol on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List. A hearing in this matter was held in December of 2024. OEC appeared presenting testimony and documentary evidence. Mr. Mangol attended the hearing and testified on his own behalf.

The evidence and testimony presented at the hearing showed that on May 28, 2023, Mr.

Mangol entered Presque Isle Downs Casino parking lot with three grandchildren, ages 8, 11 and 13, as well as his German Shepherd. Mr. Mangol was planning on going to the casino alone, but his grandchildren wanted to go swimming at Presque Isle Park. So he brought the children along to go to the park after going to the casino.

Upon their arrival in the casino lot, Mr. Mangol and the children exited the vehicle. The dog remained in the vehicle with the hatchback open and Mr. Mangol entered the casino. Mr. Mangol then placed a sports wager and returned to his vehicle and the children were left alone for approximately eight to ten minutes. While Mr. Mangol was in the casino, a patron reported the unattended minors in the parking lot to the security office.

Mr. Mangol was evicted from the property for one year and no criminal charges were filed. Mr. Mangol testified that he did not consider his grandchildren to be minors and that he came from an era where children of a certain age were permitted to be left alone for even longer periods of time.

He further stated he believed it was prohibited to leave children in the car, but he was unaware that leaving them outside the vehicle was a violation. Testimony and evidence showed from OEC then, on the day Mr. Mangol visited the casino, there were signs posted in the parking lot stating it was prohibited to leave minors unattended in a vehicle or on the property.

Consequently, a Report and Recommendation was issued recommending that Mr.

Mangol be placed on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List and this matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?
MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the OCC and that John Mangol be placed

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   on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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                   CHAIR:
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Stephen Fisher
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   is the next Report and Recommendation before the
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   Board today. By way of background, in March 2015,
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   the OEC filed a Petition to place Mr. Fisher on the
   Board's Involuntary Exclusion List after being
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   notified that on January 20, 2015 he became
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   disruptive while playing poker at Harrah's
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   Philadelphia Casino and Racetrack, refused to leave
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   the casino and resisted arrest.
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                   Subsequently, the Board issued an
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   Order in July 2015 placing Mr. Fisher on the
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   Exclusion List. Mr. Fisher is now requesting removal
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   from the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List. OEC
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   filed Answer objecting to his request as he violated
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   his exclusion on three occasions in 2019, 2022 and
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   2023, at three different casinos and was charged with
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                   A hearing in this matter was held
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   January of 2025. Despite receiving notice, Mr.
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   Fisher failed to appear. OEC appeared at the hearing
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   and moved to dismiss the Petition based on Mr.
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   Fisher's absence.
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   Recommendation was issued recommending that Mr.
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   Fisher's Petition be denied or dismissed and this
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   matter is now ready for the Board's consideration.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   moves that the Board adopt the Report and
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   Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the
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   OCC, and that Stephen Fisher's Petition be denied and
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   that he remain on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion
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   List.
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
                           All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Next before the
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Sean McNulty. On March 2nd, 2016, the Board issued an Order placing Mr. McNulty on the Involuntary Exclusion List after finding that on March 9, 2015 he threatened to shoot a Parx Casino employee after requesting his win/loss statement from the casino.

In July of 2024, Mr. McNulty filed his Petition with the Board requesting removal from the Involuntary Exclusion List. The OEC filed an Answer objecting to Mr. McNulty's request. A hearing in this matter was originally held October 24, 2024 when Mr. McNulty failed to appear. OEC appeared and made a motion for denial of the Petition and thereafter, a Report and Recommendation was issued recommending the Board grant that motion.

McNulty contacted the OHA stating he did not receive notice of the hearing. The Report and Recommendation was withdrawn and a new hearing was held in January of 2025. Both OEC and Mr. McNulty appeared and testified. Evidence and testimony to the hearing show that Mr. McNulty had incidents at several casinos between 2009 and 2019.

During his testimony, Mr. McNulty testified he did violate his exclusion on two occasions after being placed on the List and received

permanent exclusions from both Rivers Philadelphia and Harrah's Philadelphia. He also reiterated his testimony from the original 2015 hearing regarding the incident at Parx stating he never threatened to shoot the Parx employee, but he said he was going to sue her because he would not be able to receive his win/loss statement before his taxes were due that year.

Mr. McNulty further stated that he had two strokes the year of this particular incident. His speech had been affected, causing the words to sound slurred and causing the employee to mishear what he said. Mr. McNulty admitted that he had been originally charged criminally as a result of the conversation he had with the Parx employee and that pursuant to a plea he was ordered to stay away from that employee and from Parx Casino, an order which he did comply with. He further stated that he has gamed in other states without incident but would prefer to game in Pennsylvania due to age and health-related issues.

After hearing all the evidence presented, a Report and Recommendation was issued recommending the denial of Mr. McNulty's Petition.

Mr. McNulty did file exceptions to this

recommendation. As you can see, Mr. McNulty is here and this matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration after this statement.

 $\underline{\text{CHAIR:}} \quad \text{Mr. McNulty, would you like to} \\ \text{address the Board?}$

MR. MCNULTY: Yes, I would.

CHAIR: Could you please stand and be sworn by the Court Reporter?

MR. MCNULTY: Yes, I can.

SEAN MCNULTY,

CALLED AS A WITNESS IN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING, AND HAVING FIRST BEEN DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AND SAID AS FOLLOWS:

CHAIR: Mr. McNulty, you can proceed.
MR. MCNULTY: Okay.

Originally I had played at several casinos in Pennsylvania. A while back, I did threaten to sue, S-U-E, take legal action. I've never threatened anyone with physical action. I've never done it. I don't even own a gun, so I wouldn't threaten to shoot someone. The lady said I threatened to shoot her a month and-a-half later if I did not receive my win/loss statement by the time I

had to file my taxes. I was trying to do what I was obligated to legally.

I have a speech impediment. I've had six strokes so far in my life. I have dentures. I do not wear denture cream. It makes more sense to say I'm going to sue someone in a month and-a-half if you don't get your win/loss statement as after asking for it five times and then telling you can't get it until the tax series is over. I'm going to owe more money because I don't have my tax thing.

As it is, that's one thing. And every single person, same argument I used before, has sat there and had a song they've heard 50, a hundred times, sing along with it. Someone says, hey, I'm going to sit there and correct you. That's not the words for the song. These are the words for the song. And they're correct. Nine times out of ten, they're correct. And you're saying the wrong words to the song and you appreciate or dis-appreciate (sic) it that much more, but it changes the meaning of the song.

If people can hear a song 50, 60 times, is it possible someone on a windy day using a cell phone could be misheard and they hear you say sue instead of shoot? It's possible. It's not

outside the realm. I apologize that she thought that I said that I would shoot her. It makes no sense. And I did not say I would shoot her. I said I would sue her in a month and-a-half, which legal action - taking legal action makes sense. You don't wait a month and-a-half to shoot someone. If you're going to threaten to shoot someone, you're going to threaten to shoot them then.

Next thing, I was at the SugarHouse.

I did play there. I was a rated player. I was among the top rated players there where they had the buffet and everything. I also had the buffet at Harrah's at the time that I was on the Exclusion List from you guys. I called several casinos and several times casino control commission people said they cannot tell a casino anything. They can only make a recommendation. And that's why I chose to ignore what they said here, and I have not done that since.

I am - I'm very big on following exactly what people say. I also have a negotiated plea that you guys made the decision to bar me on where I'm barred from Parx Casino. Parx Casino sat there, the Judge and the thing said that I am not allowed in Parx Casino. I'm not supposed to talk to the girl that misheard me.

In any case, I have - I've not been back at Parx Casino. And the Judge said on the paperwork and I submitted the paperwork work and no further penalty on the counts keeping me outside the casino, the - not allowing me to gamble in other casinos, it's a direct violation of that plea agreement, which invalidates the plea. And as a result, I've had multiple times that I've made \$30,000 the year before I got arrested in the casinos in a six-hour period.

So that's my potential income. As a result of that being my potential income in six hours, \$30,000 in a day. I can make \$120,000 in ten years of being violated, plus, well, I'm not allowed in the casinos in Pennsylvania. Technically, that's like \$438 trillion of potential income. I could sue the Casino Control Board. I'm not going to right now. I just want to be allowed back in.

I have to travel two, three times a week when I go to Jersey, or to Vegas, or to Delaware or to Maryland or to D.C. I have to travel at least an hour and-a-half to four hours each way. I'm willing to do that. If that's - that's what your thing is, that's what I'll do, but I'm going to press charges.

1 The both times I was a graded member. 2 I was not hiding that I was there. The one guy at 3 Harrah's recognized me. The other time they found 4 what machine I was on at SugarHouse because I was 5 using my card. Otherwise, there's no other time that I've had a problem in the casino in Pennsylvania that 6 7 I've been asked to leave. I've never been asked to leave any other property, any other business. 9 Chili's, no Burger King, no movie theaters. 10 CHAIR: We understand, Mr. McNulty. 11 MR. MCNULTY: Nothing. 12 Thank you, Mr. McNulty. CHAIR: 13 MR. MCNULTY: Thank you very much. 14 Again, I just want to be allowed in and not have to 15 spend a ton of money. I normally spend \$60,000 16 gambling a year. I'm comfortable with that. And 17 there's not a single other place that has me barred. 18 CHAIR: We understand your position. 19 MR. MCNULTY: I'm in no way a threat. 20 I apologize that the girl thought that I said 21 something that I did not say. And I'm not going to 22 say I said it. I was told to say I'm sorry for 23 saying it, but I won't admit to doing something I didn't do. 24

Thank you, Mr. McNulty.

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                   MR. MCNULTY:
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                   CHAIR: We do understand your
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                   Any questions or comments?
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                   Hearing none, may I have a motion
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                   MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner
   Regan moves that the Board adopt the Report and
   Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the
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   OCC and that Sean McNulty's Petition be denied and
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   that he remain on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion
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   List.
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                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted. Thank you,
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   Mr. McNulty.
                   MR. MCNULTY: Thank you very much.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: You understand?
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                   MR. MCNULTY: I understand.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: The next Report
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   and Recommendation stems from a request for early
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removal from the Board's Involuntary Self-Exclusion
List by an individual of the initials E.E. E.E.

placed himself on the Casino and Interactive Gaming
Self- Exclusion List, choosing the five-year
exclusionary period from casinos and the Lifetime
Exclusion from Interactive Gaming.

On September 25, 2024, E.E. requested removal from the List, stating that he is older, wiser, was never in financial turmoil, and believes in second chances and further avers that his new job may require him to conduct business on casino properties periodically.

On October 3rd, 2025, the OHA issued a Decision and Order denying the request. E.E. timely filed an Appeal to the decision. OEC filed an Answer objecting to E.E.'s Petition for Early Removal and a hearing in the matter was held January 2025. OEC appeared and presented testimony and documentary evidence. E.E. appeared at the hearing and testified on his own behalf.

Following a hearing, a Report and Recommendation was issued recommending that E.E.'s request for early removal from the Casino and Interactive Gaming Exclusion List be denied and this matter is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

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CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
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   Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board adopt the
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   Board Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described
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   by the OCC, and that E.E.'s Petition for Removal from
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   both the Casino Self-Exclusion List and the
   Interactive Self-Exclusion List be denied and that he
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   remain on both self-exclusion Lists.
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                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
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   seconds.
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: The final Report
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   and Recommendation today pertains to another request
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   for early removal from the Voluntary Self-Exclusion
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   List. By way of background, in May 2018, an
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   individual with the initials T.J. placed herself on
   the Casino Self-Exclusion List, choosing the Lifetime
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   Self-Exclusion option.
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                   In May 2024, T.J. filed a request for
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   early removal from the List. The OEC filed an Answer
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objecting to the request and thereafter, on June 26, 2024, the Director of the OHA issued a Decision and Order denying the request.

T.J. timely appealed the OHA's decision and a hearing on this matter was held on December 3, 2024, OEC appeared at the hearing presenting documentary and testimonial evidence.

T.J. failed to appear for the hearing. However, T.J. contacted OHA a week later stating she had overslept and missed the hearing and ultimately requested another hearing.

A second hearing was held in January 2025. T.J. appeared and testified on her own behalf. Evidence and testimony presented at the hearing showed T.J. had properly filled out all the exclusion forms, signing all required acknowledgments stating that she was a problem gambler, was excluding herself from casinos and gaming-related activity and that she could not be removed from the List until after her expiration period.

T.J.'s request for removal states she would like to be able to assist her mother who is disabled to visit the casinos. T.J. has violated her exclusion on two separate occasions.

After hearing all the evidence

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presented, a Report and Recommendation was issued
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   recommending that T.J.'s request for early removal
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   from the voluntary Self-Exclusion List be denied and
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   this matter is now ripe for the Board's
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   consideration.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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   May I have a motion please?
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                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Dillon moves that the Board adopt the Report and
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   Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the
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   OCC, and that T.J.'s Petition for Removal from the
   Casino Self-Exclusion List be denied and that she
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14 <u>MR. DUNBAR:</u> Commissioner Dunbar

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CHAIR: All in favor?

remain on the Self-Exclusion List.

17 (AYES RESPOND)

CHAIR: All opposed?

19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion passes.

21 <u>ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN:</u> This concludes

22 the matters of the OCC.

23 CHAIR: Thank you, Denise, Robert,

24 Chad and Steve. We will now have the Bureau of

25 | Licensing matters presented by the Director of the

Bureau of Licensing, Sean Hannon. Sean?

licenses in Pennsylvania.

MR. HANNON: Good morning, Madam Chair Smyler, Members of the Board. The first licensing matter for your consideration is the approval of a Video Game Terminal Operator License for Lendell Gaming, LLC, who was previously conditionally licensed. The company was formed in 2017 and is headquartered in Garnet Valley, Pennsylvania. Lendell Gaming, LLC intends to operate and maintain Video Game Terminals on the premises of establishment

The BIE has completed its investigation of the company and the Bureau of Licensing has provided you with a background investigation and suitability report. I have provided you with a draft Order and ask that the Board consider the Order to approve the Video Game Terminal Operator License for Lendell Gaming, LLC.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

24 Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board grant 25 the Video Gaming Terminal Operator License as

described by the Bureau of Licensing.

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston

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CHAIR: All in favor?

5 (AYES RESPOND)

6 CHAIR: All opposed?

7 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

MR. HANNON: The next licensing matter

10 for your consideration is an approval of a Slot

11 | Machine Manufacturer License for Zitro USA

12 Incorporated, doing business as, ZITRO. The company

13 was formed in 2012 with its principal place of

14 business in Las Vegas, Nevada. Zitro USA

15 Incorporated manufactures video game slot electronic

16 gaming devices.

17 The company was granted interim

18 authorization on October 4, 2024. The BIE has

19 completed its investigation of the company and the

20 | Bureau of Licensing has provided you with a

21 background investigation and suitability report.

22 | I've provided you with a draft Order and ask that you

23 consider the Order to approve the Slot Machine

24 | Manufacturer License for Zitro USA Incorporated.

ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel

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has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   moves that the Board grant the Slot Machine
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   Manufacturer License as described by the Bureau of
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   Licensing.
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                   MS. REGAN:
                               Commissioner Regan
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion carries.
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                   MR. HANNON: Next, we have
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   consideration of an Interactive Gaming Manufacturer
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   License for GameCode America's, LLC, doing business
   as, GameCode. Formed in 2021, its principal place of
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   business is in Clifton, New Jersey. GameCode
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   develops, distributes, licenses and maintains gaming
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   software to online gaming operators and intends to
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   offer its products and services in the Commonwealth.
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                   The Company was granted interim
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   authorization on January 9, 2025. The BIE has
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   completed its investigation and the Bureau of
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Licensing has provided you with a background
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   consider the Order to approve GameCode America's, LLC
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   for an Interactive Gaming Manufacturer License.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Regan moves that the Board grant the Interactive
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   Gaming Manufacturer License as described by the
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   Bureau of Licensing.
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                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   MR. HANNON: Next, we have
   consideration of a VGT Establishment License for
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   Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores Incorporated,
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   doing business as, Love's Travel Stop Number 829, who
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is previously approved for a Conditional License.

1 The BIE has now completed its investigation,
2 including evaluation that the Applicant meets the VGT
3 Establishment eligibility criteria in the Act.

The Bureau of Licensing has provided you with a background investigation and suitability report. I have provided you with a draft Order and ask that you consider the Order to license Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores Incorporated, located at 1373 Route 28 in Brookville.

10 <u>ATTORNEY PITRE:</u> Enforcement Counsel
11 has no objection.

12 <u>CHAIR:</u> Any questions or comments? 13 May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License as

17 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

18 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
19 seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 (AYES RESPOND)

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22 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 CHAIR: Motion passes.

MR. HANNON: Also is the approval of a

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VGT Establishment License for CHR Corp. Rutter's
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   Store 106, who is previously approved for a
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   Conditional License. The BIE has now completed its
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   investigation, including evaluation that the
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   Applicant meets the VGT Establishment eligibility
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   criteria in the Gaming Act.
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                   The Bureau of Licensing has provided
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   you with a background investigation and suitability
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   report. I have provided you with a draft Order and
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   ask that you consider the Order to license Rutter's
   Store Number 106, located at 921 Industrial Park Road
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   in Milton.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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   May I have a motion, please?
                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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18
   Dillon moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming
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Terminal Establishment License as described by the
Bureau of Licensing.

MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
seconds.

23 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

24 (AYES RESPOND)

25 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

(NO RESPONSE)

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CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

MR. HANNON: In addition, we have

consideration of three Video Game Terminal

Establishment License renewals. The locations being

5 Establishment License renewals. The locations being

6 presented are United Refining Company of

7 Pennsylvania, doing business as Kwik Fill Number 226

and Kwik Fill Number 229, as well as CHR Corp., doing

9 business as, Rutter's Store Number 17.

The BIE has completed its investigation and the Bureau of Licensing has provided you with a background investigation and suitability reports. I have provided you with draft Orders and ask the Board first consider the Order to renew the Video Game Terminal Establishment License for Kwik Fill Number 226, located at 73 Rolling Stone

ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel has no objection.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner

Dunbar moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming
Terminal Establishment License renewal as described

25 by the Bureau of Licensing.

Road in Kylertown.

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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner
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   Manzano-Díaz, second.
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                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   MR. HANNON: Next is the Order to
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   renew the license for Kwik Fill Number 229, located
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   at 5574 State Route 8 in Harrisville.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,
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   Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board grant
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   the Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License
   renewal as described by the Bureau of Licensing.
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   seconds.
                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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MR. HANNON: And finally, the Order to
renew the License for Rutter's Store 17, located at
3 2115 East Berlin Road in East Berlin.
ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel

ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel has no objection.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License renewal as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan seconds.

14 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

15 (AYES RESPOND)

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16 CHAIR: All opposed?

17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

MR. HANNON: Next is consideration of a Conditional Video Game Terminal Establishment
License for CHR Corp., doing business as, Rutter's
Store Number 111. The Board may conditionally
license an establishment provided the Applicant has
never been convicted of a felony, is current on state
taxes, has submitted a completed application and has

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not been convicted of a gambling law violation.
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A preliminary review of this Applicant indicates that they meet this criteria. Please note that this is strictly a conditional approval. Final approval will be based on the Applicant meeting all the eligibility criteria provided in the statute. A final eligibility determination will follow investigation and site inspection by the BIE.

I have provided you with a draft Order and ask that the Board consider a motion to approve the Conditional Video Game Terminal Establishment License for Rutter's Store 111, located at 641 Waltz Mill Road in Ruffs Dale.

ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel has no objection.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal Establishment Conditional License as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody seconds.

CHAIR: All in favor?

25 (AYES RESPOND)

1 CHAIR: All opposed? 2 (NO RESPONSE) 3 CHAIR: Motion carries. 4 MR. HANNON: Next are principal, key 5 employee and qualifier licenses. The Bureau of 6 Licensing provided you with a proposed Order for 23 7 Principals, nine Key Employees and three Qualifiers. I ask that the Board consider the Order approving 9 these licenses. 10 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel 11 has no objection. 12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments? 13 May I have a motion, please 14 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair, 15 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant the Principal, Key Employee and Qualifier Licenses as 16 17 described by the Bureau of Licensing. 18 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon 19 seconds. 20 CHAIR: All in favor? 21 (AYES RESPOND) 22 CHAIR: All opposed? 23 (NO RESPONSE) 24 CHAIR: Motion passes. 25 MR. HANNON: There are also Principal

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   and Key Employee Temporary Credentials.
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   of Licensing provided you with an Order regarding the
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   issuance of Temporary Credentials for seven
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   Principals and 14 Key Employees. I ask that the
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   Board consider the Order approving these Credentials.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Dillon moves that the Board grant the Temporary
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   Principal and Key Employee Credentials as described
   by the Bureau of Licensing.
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   MR. HANNON: Additionally for your
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   consideration are Gaming Employee Permits and Non-
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   Gaming Employee Registrations. The Bureau of
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   Licensing has provided you with a list of 575
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   individuals to whom the Bureau has granted temporary
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or full occupation permits, and 191 individuals to
whom the Bureau has granted registrations under the
authority delegated to the Bureau of Licensing. I
ask that the Board consider a motion approving the
Order.

 $\label{eq:attorney} \underline{\text{ATTORNEY PITRE:}} \quad \text{Enforcement Counsel}$ has no objection.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board approve the Applications for Gaming Employee Occupation Permits and Non-Gaming Employee Registrations described by the Bureau of Licensing Commission.

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner

16 Manzano-Díaz seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?

18 (AYES RESPOND)

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19 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion's adopted.

recommendation of denial for one Non-Gaming and three
Gaming Applicants The Bureau of Licensing has

MR. HANNON: Next, there is a

25 provided you with the Order addressing the Applicants

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who the OEC has recommended for denial. I ask that
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   the Board consider the Order approving these denials.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   continues to request denial in each matter.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,
   Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board deny
   the Gaming and Non-Gaming Employee Applications as
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   described by the Bureau of Licensing.
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   MR. HANNON: The next matter for your
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   consideration is Withdrawal Requests. In each case,
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   the license, permit or registration is no longer
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   required. For today's meeting, I've provided the
   Board with 32 Gaming and 22 Non-Gaming Applicants.
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   ask that the Board consider the Orders approving
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   these Withdrawals.
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                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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has no objection.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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   moves that the Board grant the Withdrawal of Gaming
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   and Non-Gaming Employee Applications as described by
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   the Bureau of Licensing.
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                               Commissioner Regan
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   MR. HANNON: In addition, we have an
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   Order to renew the Gaming Service Provider
   Certification for SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC.
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   have provided you with a draft Order and ask that the
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   Board consider the Order certifying this company.
                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
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   has no objection.
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves
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   that the Board approve the Gaming Service Provider
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Certification as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody seconds.
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CHAIR: All in favor?

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7 CHAIR: All opposed?

8 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion carries.

MR. HANNON: And finally, for your

11 consideration are Gaming Service Provider

12 Registrations. The Bureau of Licensing provided you

13 with an Order and an attached list of five registered

14 Gaming Service Provider Applicants. I ask that the

15 Board consider the Order registering these Gaming

16 Service Providers.

17 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel

18 | has no objection.

19 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

22 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the

23 | Gaming Service Provider Registrations as described by

24 the Bureau of Licensing.

MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon

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2 CHAIR: All in favor?

3 (AYES RESPOND)

CHAIR: All opposed?

5 (NO RESPONSE)

6 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

MR. HANNON: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR: Thank you, Sean. Next is the

OEC. Cyrus Pitre. Cyrus?

ATTORNEY PITRE: Good morning, Madam Chair. Members of the Board, the OEC will present 20 matters today for the Board's consideration in which we will request the approval of four Revocations and 16 Involuntary Exclusions.

The next four matters on the agenda consist of enforcement actions in which the OEC filed complaints seeking the revocation of permits or registrations previously issued by the Board. The complaint in each matter has been filed with the Board's OHA and properly served upon the individual named in each complaint.

The individual named in each complaint failed to respond within 30 days as required by Board regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a request for Default Judgment in each instance and properly served

the same upon each Respondent. Therefore, the facts in each complaint are deemed admitted. All filed documents have been provided to the Board and the matters are presently ripe for the Board's consideration.

In each matter, we will provide a brief summary of the facts and make a request for the appropriate Board action.

ATTORNEY FOGLE: Good morning.

Michelle Fogle, F-O-G-L-E, Assistant Enforcement

Counsel for the OEC. The next matter on the agenda

for the Board's consideration is the request to

revoke the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit issued

to Sylvester Broxton. Mr. Broxton was previously

employed as a Security Assistant Shift Manager for

Live! Casino Philadelphia.

During the background investigation of Mr. Broxton's Gaming Level 2 Employee Permit

Application, new information concerning his conviction for violating the Uniform Code of Military Justice's Article 121 on larceny and wrongful appropriation was reviewed. The information showed that in March 2010, Mr. Broxton committed an offense that would qualify as a felony conviction under the Gaming Act.

Upon rescinding Mr. Broxton's

Temporary Gaming Level 2 Employee Permit Credential,

Live! terminated his employment and he is no longer

working in the Pennsylvania's gaming industry. At

this time, the OEC requests that the Board revoke the

Gaming Employee Occupation Permit issued to Sylvester

Broxton.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
I just have one comment, Ms. Fogle.

10 | That information was not new, was it?

ATTORNEY FOGLE: No, it was not.

CHAIR: Okay.

Thank you. Just for the record. Any other questions or comments?

Hearing none, may I have a motion, 16 please?

MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner Dillon moves that the Board approve the Revocation of Sylvester Broxton's Gaming Employee Occupation Permit for the conduct described by the OEC. I further move that the Board waive the five-year probation on reapplication for Mr. Broxton and that he shall be eligible to reapply for licensure on May 13, 2026.

MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar seconds.

CHAIR: All in favor? 1 2 (AYES RESPOND) 3 CHAIR: All opposed? 4 (NO RESPONSE) 5 CHAIR: Motion's adopted. 6 ATTORNEY MILLER: Good morning, Chair 7 Smyler, Members of the Board, Dustin Miller on behalf of the OEC, M-I-L-L-E-R. The next matter on the 9 agenda for the Board's consideration is the 10 Revocation of the Non-Gaming Employee registration 11 issued to Rogelio Lazaro. 12 Mr. Lazaro was previously employed as 13 an EVS Attendant at Rivers Casino Philadelphia. 14 While working at Rivers Philadelphia, Mr. Lazaro picked up a patron's wallet that he found on the 15 floor. Mr. Lazaro entered the restroom with the 16 17 wallet and since that time, the wallet has not been 18 recovered. Mr. Lazaro was terminated by Rivers 19 Philadelphia for theft and he is not currently 20 employed in Pennsylvania's gaming industry. 21 At this time, the OEC requests that 22 the Board revoke the Non-Gaming Employee Registration 23 issued to Rogelio Lazaro. 24 CHAIR: Any questions or comments? 25 May I have a motion, please?

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MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Dunbar moves that the Board approved the Revocation
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   for Rogelio Lazaro's Non-Gaming Employee Registration
   for the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner
   Manzano-Díaz second.
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                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: Good morning,
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   Chair, Members of the Board. Andrea Roberts,
   R-O-B-E-R-T-S, Assistant Enforcement Counsel.
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   next matter on the agenda for the Board's
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   Employee Occupation Permit issued to Mace Lockard.
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   Mr. Lockard was previously employed as a Cage Cashier
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   at Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course.
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                   While working at Hollywood Casino, Mr.
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   Lockard stole an undetermined amount of currency from
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   the cage cashier's tip box 34 times over 16 different
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   dates. At this time, the OEC requests the Board
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revoke the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit issued

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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,
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   Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board
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   approve the Revocation of Mace Lockard's Gaming
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   Employee Occupation Permit for the conduct described
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   by the OEC.
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                   MS. RALSTON:
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   seconds.
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                   CHAIR:
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on
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   the agenda for the Board's consideration is the
   Revocation of the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit
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   issued to Jamir Watson. Mr. Watson was previously
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   employed as a Table Games Dealer at Live! Casino and
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   Hotel Philadelphia. While working at Live!, Mr.
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   Watson committed procedure violations and cheated 45
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   times over six different dates while dealing
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   blackjack and Spanish 21.
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                   Mr. Watson's actions resulted in
   $692.50 in losses to the casino. Mr. Watson was
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terminated by Live! and criminally charged for his actions. At this time, the OEC requests the Board revoke the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit issued to Jamir Watson.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston moves that the Board approve the Revocation of Jamir Watson's Gaming Employee Occupation Permit for the conduct described by the OEC.

MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan seconds.

13 CHAIR: All in favor?

14 (AYES RESPOND)

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CHAIR: All opposed?

16 (NO RESPONSE)

17 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

attorney pitre: The remaining matters on the agenda consist of enforcement actions in which the OEC filed petitions seeking the involuntary exclusion of individuals who are inimical to the interests of the Commonwealth and/or licensed gaming therein.

In each instance, the Petition for Exclusion has been filed with the Board's OHA and

properly served upon the individual named in the petition. The individual named in each petition failed to respond within 30 days as required by Board regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a request for Default Judgment in each instance and properly served the same upon each individual.

Therefore, all facts in each petition are deemed admitted. All filed documents have been provided to the Board and the matters are presently ripe for the Board's consideration.

In each instance, if the Board orders the proposed exclusion, each individual's photo, personal identifiers and a summary of the inimical conduct may be placed on the Board's public website.

Once again, in each matter, we will provide a brief summary of the facts and make a request for the appropriate Board action.

ATTORNEY ROBERTS: Again, Andrea
Roberts, Assistant Enforcement Counsel. The next
matter on the agenda is the request to place Joy
Floyd on the Involuntary Exclusion List. Ms. Floyd
left three minors, ages 2, 11 and 12-years old,
unattended in a vehicle at Hollywood Casino at Penn
National Race Course for approximately two hours and
six minutes while she entered the casino and played

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   roulette.
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                   Hollywood permanently banned Ms. Floyd
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   from their property as a result of this incident.
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   Ms. Floyd was criminally charged for her actions.
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                   At this time, the OEC requests the
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   Board place Joy Floyd on the Involuntary Exclusion
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   List.
                   CHAIR:
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                   May I have a motion, please?
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                   MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Regan moves that the Board approve the addition of
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   Joy Floyd to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for
   the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
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   (AYES RESPOND)
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                   CHAIR:
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on
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   the agenda is the request to place Juwan Haynes on
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   the Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Haynes followed
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another patron home from Rivers Casino Pittsburgh.

Mr. Haynes broke into the patron's residence and

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demanded money at gunpoint. The patron's roommate sustained gunshot wounds during the course of the robbery. Mr. Haynes was criminally charged for and convicted for his actions.

At this time, the OEC requests the Board place Juwan Haynes on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the addition of Juwan Haynes to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon seconds.

17 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

18 (AYES RESPOND)

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19 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 CHAIR: Motion carries.

ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on the agenda is a request to place Christopher Vincent on the Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Vincent was present at Rivers Casino Philadelphia when he left

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two miners, approximately 3 and 12 years of age, unattended in a vehicle for nine minutes while he entered the casino and patronized the sportsbook kiosk.
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Mr. Vincent was again present at
Rivers three months later when he left two minors, 14
years of age, unattended in a vehicle while he
entered the casino and patronized the sportsbook
kiosk. Rivers personally banned Mr. Vincent from
their property as a result of these incidents.

At this time, the OEC requests the Board place Christopher Vincent on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of Christopher Vincent to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

20 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner 21 Manzano-Díaz second.

CHAIR: All in favor?

23 (AYES RESPOND)

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CHAIR: All opposed?

25 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on the agenda is a request to place Cincere Williams, also known as, Dyanna Wertz, on the Involuntary Exclusion List. Ms. Williams was present at Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia when a visually-impaired patron asked for her assistance in redeeming three youchers.

Ms. Williams redeemed two vouchers and gave the currency to the patron. Ms. Williams retained one voucher that had a value of \$116.75. Live! permanently banned Ms. Williams from the property as a result of this incident. Ms. Williams was criminally charged for her actions.

At this time, the OEC requests the Board place Cincere Williams, also known as, Dyanna Wertz, on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board approve the addition of Cincere Williams, a/k/a Dyanna Wertz, to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston

1 seconds.

2 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

3 (AYES RESPOND)

CHAIR: All opposed?

5 (NO RESPONSE)

6 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

ATTORNEY MILLER: Dustin Miller, once again on behalf of the OEC. The next matter on the agenda is a request to place Anthony La Rocca on the Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. La Rocca left his 12-year old son unattended in the lobby of Live! Philadelphia Hotel and Casino while he went inside and played slot machines. Mr. La Rocca left his son unattended for approximately 41 minutes. Live! security discovered the child and Mr. La Rocca was issued a permanent eviction for his actions. No criminal charges were filed.

At this time, the OEC requests that the Board place Anthony La Rocca on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston moves that the Board approve the addition of Anthony La Rocca to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for

Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc. (814) 536-8908

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the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   ATTORNEY CROHE: Chair, Members of the
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   Board, John Crohe, C-R-O-H-E, Senior Enforcement
   Counsel for the OEC. The next matter on the agenda
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   for the Board's consideration is a petition to place
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   Marcus Martin on the Interactive Gaming Involuntary
   Exclusion List. Mr. Martin created or attempted to
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   create 223 accounts on the Barstool Sportsbook sports
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   wagering platform using the personal identifying
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   failed or refused to pay $1,100 that he owed as a
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   result of his gaming activity.
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Barstool Sportsbook closed all of the associated accounts. The OEC now requests that the Board place Marcus Martin on the Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

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CHAIR: Any questions or comments? May I have a motion, please?

MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves
that the Board approve the addition of Marcus Martin
to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming Exclusion
List for the conduct described by the OEC.

 $\underline{\text{MR. DERMODY:}} \quad \text{Commissioner Dermody}$ seconds.

CHAIR: All in favor?

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CHAIR: All opposed?

10 (NO RESPONSE)

CHAIR: Motion passes.

12 <u>ATTORNEY MONAGHAN:</u> Good morning.

13 Thomas Monaghan, M-O-N-A-G-H-A-N, with the OEC. Next

14 matter on the agenda for the Board's consideration is

15 requested by Adam Graham on the Board's Interactive

16 Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Graham

17 created multiple accounts on the BetMGM interactive

18 gaming platform using the personal identifying

19 information of other individuals. All the accounts

20 were closed and devices used were blocked from being

21 used.

The OEC now requests the Board place

23 Adam Graham on the Interactive Gaming Involuntary

24 Exclusion List.

25 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

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May I have a motion, please?
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                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
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   Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the
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   addition of Adam Graham to the Pennsylvania Gaming
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   Control Board's Involuntary Interactive Gaming
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   Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
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   seconds.
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                           All in favor?
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                   CHAIR:
                           All opposed?
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.
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                   ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: The next matter on
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   the agenda for the Board's consideration is a request
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   to place Timothy Hassan on the Board's Involuntary
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   Exclusion List. On multiple dates, Mr. Hassan
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   printed out vouchers belonging to other patrons,
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   cashed them out at Rivers Casino Pittsburgh and
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   exited the casino. He was criminally charged for the
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   thefts. Further, Mr. Mr. Hassan was previously
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   permanently evicted for murders for another incident.
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   Therefore, he is also charged with trespassing.
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   Timothy Hassan on the Involuntary Exclusion List.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of
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   Timothy Hassan to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List
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   for the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
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   (NO RESPONSE)
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                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   ATTORNEY MONAGHAN:
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   the agenda for the Board's consideration is request
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   to place Jeffery Hill on the Board's Interactive
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   Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Hill opened
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   interactive gaming account on the BetParx interactive
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   gaming website made multiple deposits totaling
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   $29,590. Mr. Hill's wagering activity resulted in
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   him losing the entirety of the money deposit.
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   Subsequently he failed or refused to pay $18,600 that
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   he owed to BetParx as a result of his gaming
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   activity. BetParx closed Mr. Hill's interactive
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   gaming account.
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The OEC now requests the Board place Jeffery Hill on the Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board approve the addition of Jeffery Hill to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner

12 Manzano-Díaz second.

13 CHAIR: All in favor?

14 (AYES RESPOND)

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CHAIR: All opposed?

16 (NO RESPONSE)

17 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: The next matter of the agenda for the Board's consideration is a request to place Justin Holmes on the Board's Interactive Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Holmes opened an interactive gaming account on the BetParx interactive gaming website. Made a \$1,000 deposit. His wagering activity resulted in him losing the entirety of the money deposit. Subsequently he failed or refused to

pay \$1,000 that he owed to BetParx as a result of his gaming activity. BetParx closed Mr. Holmes

Interactive gaming account. The OEC and I request the Board place Justin Holmes on the Interactive Gaming

Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board approve the addition of Justin Holmes to this PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston seconds.

15 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

16 (AYES RESPOND)

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17 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

18 (NO RESPONSE)

19 CHAIR: Motion carries.

ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: Next matter of the agenda for the Board's consideration is a request to place Alisha Saez on the Board's Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List. Ms. Saez has created multiple accounts in the BetMGM interactive gaming platform using the personal identifying information

of other individuals. All the accounts were closed 1 2 and devices used were blocked from being used. 3 The OEC and I request the Board place 4 Alisha Saez on the Board's Interactive Gaming 5 Involuntary Exclusion List. 6 CHAIR: Any questions or comments? 7 May I have a motion, please? 8 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston 9 moves that the Board approve the addition of Alisha Saez to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming 10

11 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

12 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan

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14 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

15 (AYES RESPOND)

16 CHAIR: All opposed?

17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: Next matter on the agenda for the Board's concern consideration is a request to place Ryan Shaw on the Board's Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

Mr. Shaw opened an interactive gaming account on the Barstool interactive gaming website.

25 Made multiple deposits totaling \$10,260. His

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wagering activity resulted in losing the entirety of the money he deposited. Subsequently, he failed or refused to pay $6,300 that he owed to Barstool as a result of his gaming activity.
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Barstool permanently closed Mr. Shaw's account. The OEC now requests the Board place Ryan Shaw on the Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner Regan moves that the Board approve the addition of Ryan Shaw to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody

16 seconds.

17 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

18 (AYES RESPOND)

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19 <u>CHAIR:</u> All opposed?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion's adopted.

22 ATTORNEY ROLAND: Good morning, Madam
23 Chair, Members of the Board, Michael Roland,

24 R-O-L-A-N-D, with the OEC. The next four matters on

25 the agenda are related and are requests to place

Zyrone Jackson, Brandon Johnson, Billy King-Taylor and Ashley Mitchell on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

With the Board's permission, I will read one set of facts and then request that each individual be placed on the List. Four individuals of a group labeled as a dice sliding team were observed manipulating table game play, specifically craps, at Hollywood Casino Morgantown.

The four individuals arrived at the property together in an SUV. Initially, two of the individuals entered the casino and observed table gameplay at one of the craps tables. The two returned to the SUV and all four individuals then went to the table where the observation occurred.

The team gamed at the table for more than three and-a-half hours and during that time, the members of the team were observed rolling the dice in a way to manipulate the result of the game and a contravention of the rules. The team was observed placing multiple bets whenever a member of the team was the shooter. The team would rarely wager if anyone else at the table was the shooter. After cashing out, the team exited the casino with approximately \$49,950 from the manipulated play

before the activity was discovered.

At this time, no criminal charges have been filed against the individuals. It was discovered that the team has utilized this technique in several other casinos, including those in the State of Michigan. At this time, the OEC requests that the Board place Zyrone Jackson on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
May I have a motion, please?

MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the addition of Zyrone Jackson to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon seconds.

18 <u>CHAIR:</u> All in favor?

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21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 <u>CHAIR:</u> Motion's adopted.

23 <u>ATTORNEY ROLAND:</u> The OEC now requests 24 that the Board place Brandon Johnson on the Board's

25 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of
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   Brandon Johnson to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
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                   CHAIR: All opposed?
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                   CHAIR: Motion passes.
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                   ATTORNEY ROLAND: The OEC now requests
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   that the Board place Billy King-Taylor on the Board's
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   Involuntary Exclusion List.
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                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?
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                   MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
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   Billy King-Taylor to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion
   List for the conduct described by the OEC.
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                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Commissioner
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                   CHAIR: All in favor?
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2 CHAIR: All opposed?

3 (NO RESPONSE)

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4 CHAIR: Motion carries.

ATTORNEY ROLAND: And finally, the OEC requests that the Board place Ashley Mitchell on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

May I have a motion, please?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Madam Chair,

11 Commissioner Manzano-Díaz moves that the Board

12 approve the addition of Ashley Mitchell to the PGCB

13 Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described

14 by the OEC.

MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston

16 seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?

18 (AYES RESPOND)

CHAIR: All opposed?

20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

22 ATTORNEY PITRE: Thank you. That

23 concludes our business.

CHAIR: Thank you, Cyrus. Thank you.

25 OEC Attorneys. The last item on the agenda today is

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                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston
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                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan
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               MEETING CONCLUDED AT 11:16 A.M.
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings, hearing held before Chair Smyler, was reported by me on April 23, 2025, and that I, Jacob Hill, read this transcript and that I attest that this transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceeding.

Dated the 13th day of May, 2025.

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Jacob Hill,

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