

Attachment IX.A.1.b.-1

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SITING OF THE FIRST TWO CLASS III GAMING CASINO DESTINATION RESORTS IN THE CATSKILL REGION STRICTLY IN THE COUNTY OF SULLIVAN

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WHEREAS New York State will now develop up to four casinos in upstate New York; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2013, the voters of the State of New York voted for and supported the enactment of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State,

WHEREAS on November 5, 2013, the voters of Sullivan County provided the largest plurality of votes for such enactment of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State,

WHEREAS, the passage of said constitutional amendment and the concurrent legislation authorized the establishment of four destination gaming resorts in three distinct regions (Regions 1, 2 and 5), in Upstate New York, with a maximum of two projects to be located in any one Region

WHEREAS, Sullivan County is located in the Catskill/Hudson Valley Region 1, and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has been recognized as the premiere vacation destination in New York State for generations and has historically served as host to some of the world's most famous destination resorts; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County was home to multiple destination resorts which contained thousands of hotel rooms and accompanying amenities such as retail, entertainment, and sports attractions.

WHEREAS the local infrastructure of Sullivan County was always sufficiently able to handle all economic, social and environmental direct and indirect impacts of the many destination resorts; visiting tourists, and the employees who worked in these facilities; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County's tourist economy was one of the cornerstones of vibrant, middle class that comprised many of its towns, villages, and hamlets;

WHEREAS, Sullivan County, has experienced a significant downturn in its tourist economy over the last half century and stands now as one of the most economically challenged areas in New York State;

WHEREAS Sullivan County's working class and small businesses, as well as tax ratables, have significantly suffered from this downturn;

WHEREAS, Sullivan County ranked last in New York State in year 2013 job creation and was the only area in the Hudson Valley that experienced a year-over-year decrease in private-sector employment, according to Johnny Nelson, labor market analyst for the state, and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County, through its local and state officials and local business community has historically sought the legalization of Class III Casino Gaming for more than four decades, and

WHEREAS, gaming, as a single component within a destination resort, will provide the much needed catalyst to stimulate further economic growth in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS the current proposals in Sullivan County are for sustainable resort destinations that will comply with New York State's environmental regulations to mitigate all environmental impacts, and

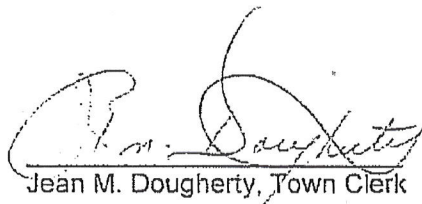
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WHEREAS, the establishment of destination resorts in Sullivan County will provide financial support for education and desperately needed property tax relief for Sullivan County taxpayers and communities statewide; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of destination resorts will stop the flow of revenues for tourism and gaming crossing our borders into neighboring states and keep those dollars in Sullivan County and New York State; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Town of Mamakating, a township located in Sullivan County enthusiastically supports the siting of TWO Class III Gaming Destination Resorts in Sullivan County to meet the intent and language of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State.

Moved by B. Giraldi, seconded by M. Taylor, put to a vote resulted in 5 ayes, 0 nays.



Jean M. Dougherty, Town Clerk



Town of Delaware

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March 20, 2014

RESOLUTION 13-2014: SUPPORTING THE SITING OF THE FIRST TWO CLASS III
GAMING CASINO DESTINATION RESORTS IN THE CATSKILL REGION STRICTLY IN
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Sullivan County enthusiastically supports the siting of TWO Class III Gaming Destination Resorts in Sullivan County to meet the intent and language of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State.

Resolution moved by Councilman John Gain, seconded by Supervisor Edward T. Sykes, and was duly put to a vote on roll call, resulting as follows:

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Callicoon enthusiastically supports the siting of TWO Class III Gaming Destination Resorts in Sullivan County to meet the intent and language of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State.

Resolution #6-2014 adopted by the Town of Callicoon, County of Sullivan, State of New York, at the regular Town Board meeting held on March 10, 2014, on a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel and put to a vote as follows:

4 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent



Town of Bethel

Sullivan County, New York

Rita J. Sheehan, CMC/RMC
Town Clerk
Records Management Officer
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**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL, SULLIVAN
COUNTY, NEW YORK SUPPORTING THE SITING OF THE FIRST TWO CLASS III
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STRICTLY IN THE COUNTY OF SULLIVAN**

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WHEREAS, the current proposals in Sullivan County are for sustainable resort destinations that will comply with New York State's environmental regulations to mitigate all environmental impacts, and

WHEREAS, the development of destination gaming resorts and the siting of TWO Casino Gaming Destination Resorts would bring thousands of much needed quality jobs and economic growth to Sullivan County that now already exists in neighboring counties that are in the Catskill Region I; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of destination resorts in Sullivan County will provide financial support for education and desperately needed property tax relief for Sullivan County taxpayers and communities statewide;

WHEREAS, the establishment of destination resorts in Sullivan County will stop the flow of revenues for tourism and gaming crossing our borders into neighboring states and keep those dollars in Sullivan County and New York State; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Bethel Town Board enthusiastically supports the siting of TWO Class III Gaming Destination Resorts in Sullivan County to meet the intent and language of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Bethel Town Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to NYS Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, NYS Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther, NYS Senator John J. Bonacic, and Mark D. Gearan, Chairman, NYS Gaming Commission, and the NYS Resort Gaming Facility Location Board.

Moved by Bernard Cohen, seconded by Victoria Simpson, put to a vote and adopted 4 ayes and 1 nays on the 12th day of March, 2014 upon a roll call vote as follows:

Dawn Ryder		nay
Bernard Cohen	aye	
Daniel Sturm	aye	
Vicky Simpson	aye	
Lillian Hendrickson	aye	

State of New York
County of Sullivan County
Office of the Clerk of the
Town of Bethel

This is to certify that I, Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel in the said County of Sullivan, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution to supporting class III gaming casino destination resorts in Sullivan County adopted by the Town of Bethel Town Board on March 12, 2014 with the original now on file in this office, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original and the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 13th day of March, 2014.

Rita J. Sheehan
Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel
Sullivan County, New York

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE SITING OF
THE FIRST TWO CLASS III GAMING CASINO DESTINATION
RESORTS IN THE CATSKILL REGION STRICTLY IN SULLIVAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has been fighting for a casino for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional efforts of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature brought about the enactment of the Upstate NY Gaming Economic Development Act, which included an amendment to the New York State Constitution to allow Class III Gaming in New York State; two of which should be in the mid-Hudson Region, and

WHEREAS, November 5, 2013 the voters of Sullivan County provided the largest plurality of votes for such enactment of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State, and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has presented and promoted a number of first rate options that are unsurpassed in terms of location, work force, demonstrated need, financial backing and geographical location; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has been recognized as the premiere vacation destination in New York State for generations and has historically served as host to some of the world's most famous destination resorts, and

WHEREAS, the intent of the enabling legislation is to spur economic development and job creation to revive upstate New York's economy; no more important is the revival of Sullivan County's once vibrant economy, and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County, has experienced a significant downturn in its tourist economy over the last half century and stands now as one of the most socio economically challenged areas in New York State, and

WHEREAS, the development of destination gaming resorts and the siting of TWO Casino Gaming Destination Resorts would bring thousands of much needed quality jobs and economic growth to Sullivan County that now already exists in neighboring counties that are in the Catskill Region I; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of destination resorts will stop the flow of revenues for tourism and gaming crossing our borders into neighboring states and keep those dollars in Sullivan County and New York State, and

WHEREAS, a number of "Johnny come lately" proposals have been forthcoming from Orange County which are absolutely undeserving of serious consideration considering in particular the legislative history and intent of permitting casinos to operate in New York State.

NOW THEREFORE, the Town of Highland does petition and urge the Siting Committee, the Governor and our Legislative leaders to choose two of the sites proposed in Sullivan County as the best choices for casino gaming in the mid-Hudson Region.

Moved By: Councilman Scott Hollock

Seconded By: Councilman Fred Bosch

Vote: All Ayes

Adopted this 13 day of May, 2014.

Doreen Hanson

Doreen Hanson, Town Clerk

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Rockland was held on March 20, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Livingston Manor, New York with the following members:

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR EDWARD WEITMANN
COUNCILPERSON ROBERT EGGLETON
COUNCILPERSON GLEN CARLSON
COUNCILPERSON ED EDWARDS

ABSENT: COUNCILPERSON WILLIAM ROSER, JR

OTHERS PRESENT: Caroline Devoe, Dep. Town Clerk, Theodore Hartling, Highway Superintendent, Enforcement Officer, Glenn Gabbard and several members of the public.

Supervisor Weitmann called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion of Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Carlson with all in favor, the minutes of March 6, 2014 were approved as presented by the Deputy Town Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

CORRESPONDENCE

- SC Youth Bureau - requesting documentation of insurance
- Office of NYS Comptroller
- SC Division of Planning - survey information request has been filled out
- Association of Towns Finance Schools taking place in Saratoga May 8-9, 2014 & Rochester May 15-16, 2014
- NYS DOT - Negative Declaration for Craige Clair Bridge
- SC Office of the Aging requesting nomination for senior volunteer due April 14, 2014

OLD BUSINESS

- SC Chamber Pride Award nomination choice is for Austin Physical Therapy, Roscoe. Mr. Eggleton gave a brief history of Austin PT
- Deferred Comp Workshop was held March 20th & had a good turnout of employees
- Town letter to State & Fed Officials was met with a response from Sen. Gillibrand & a phone message from Governor Cuomo's office.

NEW BUSINESS

- only documentation*
- Resolution to support Casino's in Sullivan County. Motion was made by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Eggleton, all in favor.
 - Notice of Municipal Law, establishing duties of Deputy Supervisor are being reviewed.
 - Supervisors Report presented. Motion was made by Mr. Carlson to accept, seconded by Mr. Edwards, all in favor.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Ted Hartling, Highway Superintendent

Paving list presented, but as of yet will not be an exact list. County is questioning Beaverkill Covered Bridge design plan, they want to put a 3 ton limit on it but do not know the previous limit. A Beaverkill resident stopped by to extend compliments to the Highway crew for a very efficient job in handling the bridge closing.

Glenn Gabbard, Code Enforcement

Reported on tower work which is busy with upgrades. Mr. Gabbard stated that the conduit boxes & compound space is approaching saturation point with barely room to walk around. The tower sites access roads are in need of upgrade & better maintenance. Mr. Emery expressed his dissatisfaction with the Cell Towers initial promise to land owners. His lawyer is presently working on a case for him regarding a mess involving his right of way. Mr. Gabbard suggested Mr. Emery come in & sign a complaint. It was also discussed to address the Planning Board to push for a change in access roads before renewing contracts.

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MARCH 20, 2014

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Executive Session Motion was made to go into executive session by Mr. Eggleton, seconded by Mr. Edwards at 7:40pm. Executive session closed at 7:55pm.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

On a motion of Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mr. Edwards, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - Ayes 4, Nays 0 - RESOLVED - to approve the bills on abstract #6 dated March 20, 2014, in the following amounts:

General Fund	#99-116	\$ 16,538.02
Highway	#79-96	\$ 23,232.77
Livingston Manor Water	#39-44	\$ 2,763.80
Livingston Manor Sewer	#39-49	\$ 3,984.51
Roscoe Sewer	#37-42	\$ 2,420.22
Roscoe-Rockland Water	#42-51	\$ 3,018.55
Roscoe-Rockland Light	#10-11	\$ 1,185.80
Livingston Manor Light	# 6-7	\$ 2,130.26
Hazel Park Light	# 4-5	\$ 55.53

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Eggleton, seconded by Mr. Carlson, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Devoe
Deputy Town Clerk

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Town of Thompson enthusiastically supports the siting of TWO Class III Gaming Destination Resorts in Sullivan County to meet the intent and language of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State.

Moved by: Councilman Richard Sush
Seconded by: Councilman Scott Mace
put to a vote and adopted on motion on April 1st, 2014

The Town Board voted as follows:

Supervisor William J. Rieber, Jr.	Aye
Councilman Richard Sush	Aye
Councilman Peter T. Briggs	Aye
Councilman John A. Pavese	Aye
Councilman Scott Mace	Aye

**RESOLUTION NO. 120 INTRODUCED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE TOWN OF LUMBERLAND SUPPORTING THE ENACTMENT OF
A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING CLASS III
GAMING IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature have enacted the Upstate NY Gaming Economic Development Act, which includes an amendment to the New York State Constitution to allow Class III Gaming in New York State and authorizes the development of up to seven casinos; and

WHEREAS, the legislation authorizes the establishment of four destination gaming resorts in three distinct regions (Regions 1, 2 and 5), in Upstate New York, with a maximum of two projects to be located in the Catskills/Hudson Valley region (Region 1); and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has been recognized as a premiere vacation destination in New York State for generations and has historically served as host to some of the world's most famous destination resorts; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County, like the rest of New York State and the Country, has suffered significant negative economic impacts as a result of the recent global economic downturn; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has sought the legalization of Class III Casino Gaming for more than four decades, and

WHEREAS, gaming, as a single component within a destination resort, will provide the much needed catalyst to stimulate further economic growth in Sullivan County and support of our local community; and

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WHEREAS, it is vital to the people of Sullivan County and the entire State of New York that the referendum appearing on the November, 2013 ballot authorizing Class III Gaming be approved, and

WHEREAS, the benefits associated with the passage of a constitutional amendment authorizing Class III gaming will support job creation throughout New York State, benefitting individuals and families in all areas of New York, and

WHEREAS, The Town of Lumberland and it's residents would benefit greatly from the development of destination resort casinos in Sullivan County through attendant job creation, investment and real estate and commercial development opportunities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Lumberland enthusiastically supports the enactment of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State, and asks that all municipalities of New York State join in expressing support for the amendment.

MOTION BY: Councilman Joseph Carr

SECOND BY: Councilman James Akt

VOTE: 4 - 0

Councilman David Leamon was Absent

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LUMBERLAND
VIRGINIA V. HORN, TOWN CLERK
AUGUST 14, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____
INTRODUCED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LIBERTY
SUPPORTING THE ENACTMENT OF A CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING CLASS III GAMING IN THE STATE OF
NEW YORK

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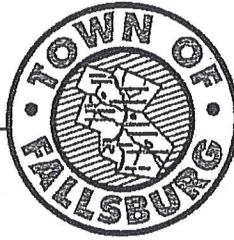
WHEREAS, The Town of Liberty and it's residents would benefit greatly from the development of destination resort casinos in Sullivan County through attendant job creation, investment and real estate and commercial development opportunities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Liberty enthusiastically supports the enactment of the constitutional amendment authorizing Class III Gaming in New York State, and asks that all municipalities of New York State join in expressing support for the amendment.

Motion by Supervisor Charlie Barbuti and seconded by Councilman _____
Councilman Thomas Hasbrouck Aye Nay
Councilman Maurice Gerry Aye Nay
Councilman Chris Austin Aye Nay
Councilman Dean Farrand _____Aye Nay

This Resolution was Signed and Sealed on the ____ day of August, 2013.

Steven Vegliante, Town Supervisor
Arnold Seletsky, Deputy Supervisor
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Wednesday, June 04, 2014

To whom it may concern with regard to support of the following;

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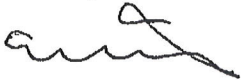
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Sincerely,



Arnold Seletsky,

Deputy Supervisor - Councilman
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Cc: file



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June 2, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Very truly yours,

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William J. Rieber, Jr.
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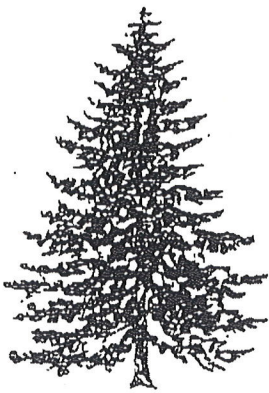
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Please accept this letter as my formal support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project in Sullivan County. I whole heartedly feel that this resort will have a positive impact on the community through job creation and economic improvement for local businesses.

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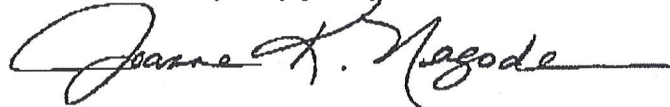
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Joanne K. Nagoda, RMC
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Town of Thompson Highway Dept

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June 5, 2014

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Dear Ms. Thorpe and members of the Committee,

The Town of Thompson has been at the forefront in the fight to bring Casino Gaming to the Catskills and our Town for many years. Our former Town Supervisor, Tony Cellini worked tirelessly to gain approval of gaming. I hope his and the Town's efforts do not go unnoticed by the committee. Supervisor Cellini and all the former and current officials have spent countless hours to reap the benefits of a destination resort for the betterment of our community.

We have all been affected by a poor and changing economy over the last years and sadly watched as our part of this beautiful state declined. Through the hard work of our residents and officials we have seen some improvement with projects like the Monticello Motor Club, Bethel Woods Center for the Arts and most recently Viera lifestyles resort located at the former Kutcher's Hotel.

Casino Destination Resorts are key to continue to revitalize our tourism and create opportunity and jobs for our constituents. Our area is rich with natural beauty and offers unlimited opportunities for outdoor family activities, hiking, water sports, golf, camping, etc. Tourists have traveled to our town for fresh air and a healthy lifestyle for over a hundred years.

In my position as Superintendent of Highways I can insure you that we have in place contracts for road improvements and the sites in our town are located so travel to and from the proposed resorts will be effortless. One of the reasons Monticello and the Town Thompson was host to so many famed resorts and millions of tourists was the easy travel to our area from any direction. We are a perfect day trip or weekend destination for tens of millions of potential travelers.

Our town has firsthand experience in how gaming revenues can benefit the entire area.. We have had gaming at Monticello Raceway for a number of years and have been able to use the revenues received to keep our local taxes low and at the same time make important improvements to our infrastructure. Low property taxes and good roads encourage further economic investments in our Town and Sullivan County.

Thank you so much for your hard work and consideration of our town your decision making process. If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rich Benjamin