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June 11, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

We have been following New York State's plan to award casino licenses in several regions of the state, and we are writing in support of the \$750 million Adelaar project planned by EPR Properties and Empire Resorts for Monticello, NY. We believe this project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement for the region and New York State as a whole. Monticello has been an entertainment destination for many years and this proposed four-star resort and gaming destination will be sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across the region, and hopefully from across the country and internationally as well. The proposed 1,700-acre site, which will include a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming, is accessible from Route 17, which is well suited to handle an increased volume of traffic due to the recent improvements through the future Interstate 86 corridor.

The communities in Sullivan County, as well as the surrounding counties, will greatly benefit from the construction of this project. The resort and casino will create approximately 2,550 jobs during construction as well as 2,200 permanent new jobs, which will help reduce the county's unemployment rate and be a catalyst for a boom in the local economies. The immediate impacts and long term contributions this project will make to the region's economy have positioned EPR Properties and Empire Resorts to achieve the economic investment and tourism goals required from the state in its Gaming Economic Development Act. The lodging options alone will include 1,106 hotel rooms in five different venues: the casino hotel, bed and breakfast, resort hotel, adventure hotel and waterpark hotel. The visitors of this resort, both onetime tourists and revisiting patrons, will undoubtedly want to explore the Sullivan County area, which in turn will drive more business for local companies. There have already been numerous tourism-related attractions built in the area, including Bethel Woods and the Monticello Motor Club, and this project would provide a very complimentary addition to further drive tourism to the area.

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Sullivan County residents and businesses will see tremendous benefits from this project's construction and operation. Increased tourism will boost local businesses, while the resort's temporary construction-related jobs and permanent full and part-time positions will go a long way in alleviating unemployment rates throughout the county.

Again, Advance Testing is fully supportive of this project, and we hope to see it receive one of the forthcoming licenses. If you'd like to discuss further, please feel free to contact me at (845) 496-1600 ext. 215.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. McCracken
Director of Business Development
Advance Testing Company, Inc.

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Sincerely,



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Dear Ms. Thorpe,

5/30/14

The reason for my correspondence to you today is to relay to you the importance for the NYSGC to seriously consider the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project for selection. This project will offer a full range of opportunities not only for the local community but also the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region and possibly nationally and internationally. I have traveled extensively throughout New York State and nowhere is it more evident that Sullivan County is falling way behind the rest of the state in economic development. Just look at our Main Streets here and then look elsewhere. We are hurting, we have high unemployment, empty storefronts, and our small businesses are barely making ends meet.

The reality today is the Sullivan County community can greatly benefit from a project of this magnitude. The boom in tourism will have a positive impact on local businesses while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate. The benefits of the increase in tourism and permanent job growth will also have an ancillary effect on the local economy which will improve not only the look and character of Main Street across the county; it will create new business which will fill those empty storefronts. This will be the new beginning to an area that once flourished from the economic benefits of tourism. Ecotourism will pick up due to the increase in traffic with people realizing the natural beauty of the area. We have hiking, boating, canoeing, rafting, and skiing to name just a few of the activities available locally. This decision which the NYSGC will make should be based on all factors not just the granting of a gaming license, it should also consider the creating of a four star resort destination thus improving one of the most economically depressed areas in the state. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project has done that with their proposed project and therefore they have achieved the primary goal which was set forth in the state's Gaming Economic Development Act.

In my practice I have the opportunity to see people from all walks of life from all corners of the county and people love to talk because it reduces their anxiety. I am proud to report to you that the community as a whole is extremely excited and 99.9% in support of the prospects of a project with such economic growth potential coming to the area. I have briefly touch the surface to the benefits this project will offer to the area, so if you need any additional information or have any question please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time.

All my best,

Jeffrey Cohen, D.D. S



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June 6, 2014

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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

As an independent business owner and representative of a Fortune 500 company, I would like to add my voice to those supporting the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts application for casino project.

I deal with business owners and their employees every day in my capacity of providing voluntary insurance. You may be familiar with the statistics indicating Sullivan County as having the poorest employment environment in the entire state. I see the human faces that comprise these statistics – people who are eager and ready for quality employment but who instead are faced with stagnant paychecks, shorter hours and fewer opportunities.

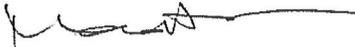
This is the main reason I am a supporter of the EPR application. It is not simply a casino; it is a beautiful family resort that will operate year-round. It's managed by a professional team with a sterling track record for similar developments and it's closer to shovel ready than any of the other applicants. Simply having an official approval will be a great boost to local optimism and incentive for economic activity. If and when construction begins for EPR – and hopefully for a second project in Sullivan County – I'm sure that a very significant improvement in our economy will follow.

I was fortunate to enjoy childhood summers in the Catskills during its heyday when every hill and valley was filled with resorts and every little village was bustling with activity. I know firsthand what a wonderful resort destination it was and still can be.

I certainly have a selfish interest in supporting EPR: the more businesses opening, the more quality jobs, the more the demand for Aflac. If I weren't sure that ERP would produce this outcome then I wouldn't be such a supporter.

I'm sure their application will best address the goals your office has established, and I'm sure that a second approved application in Sullivan will significantly contribute to this success as well.

Thank you,



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Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Dear friends,

The purpose of this letter is to provide local support toward the development of casino's and the resort industry in Sullivan County and the Town of Thompson.

The \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. A four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region of the U.S and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700-acre site in the Town of Thompson, just outside the Village of Monticello. Our community has a rich heritage of resorts and resort hospitality. The history of the Catskill Resorts legacy is far and wide, and conversations bring great memories of a time when resorts dotted the hillsides of the Catskills. Sullivan County has a wide array of tourism destinations and the Empire/EPR project has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming.

I am a lifelong Sullivan County resident. I was part of a hotel family as a child and still own and operate a service type business in the Town of Thompson and Village of Monticello. The Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from construction. The impact to local business begins on the first day of construction! My business, as well as every restaurant, gas station, convenience store, supermarket, big box store, etc see an increase of business volume on the VERY FIRST DAY! While the resort itself will create about 2,200 new permanent jobs, resulting in \$60 million in annual employee compensation, the resort's construction alone will create more than 2,550 jobs. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate, and more importantly improving the life style and overall health of Sullivan County Residents.

In addition, contributions to the region's economy and tourism industry have positioned EPR Properties and Empire Resorts to achieve the economic investment and tourism goals required from the state in its Gaming Economic Development Act. The lodging options alone will include more than 1,100 hotel rooms in five different venues: the casino hotel, bed and breakfast, resort hotel, adventure hotel and waterpark hotel. The individuals and families being housed at the resort will undoubtedly want to explore the Sullivan County area, resulting in more business for local companies.

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Sincerely,

Alan S. Kesten

Alan S. Kesten, President
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June 3, 2014

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Re: Empire Resort Destination Casino Project

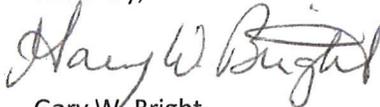
Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The economic struggles we face in Sullivan County have been all consuming and have unfortunately become the barometer by which we carry on our daily lives. As a Sullivan County resident I was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. I feel that the projects submitted from the Sullivan County Catskills have taken all the right steps to be well positioned for success in this RFA process.

From the professional development team, environmental readiness, to utilizing facilities that were previous resort destination properties, to engaging our local businesses and residents, our projects are ready now. Our projects do not have to wait for SEQRA as they all will have completed the process before you make a recommendation to the Gaming Commission. If New York is truly interested in impacting an area that is in need of economic stimulus now, I can see no better use of public policy making than to award a gaming license to Empire Resorts which will revive an area steeped in hospitality history.

I wholeheartedly support Empire Resort casino but the clustering of two projects will create a true destination place where patrons can enjoy all of what the Sullivan County Catskills have to offer. Your favorable review of this critical Sullivan County proposal will bring much needed investment, jobs, and much needed related development to our county.

Sincerely,



Gary W. Bright

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May 23, 2014

To Whom It May Concern;

Yellow Cab of Monticello, and our corporate entities are Licensed Medallion Taxi operators in the Village of Monticello and Town of Thompson, Sullivan County, New York.

We have been in operation since 1995 and the Yellow Cab name has been in business in Sullivan County and the Town of Thompson since the 1950's.

We are in full support of Casino Gaming in Sullivan County and specifically the Town of Thompson. We will support and work closely with Empire Resorts in their efforts to develop Casino Gaming in the Town of Thompson and Sullivan County. We are prepared to expand our own business into other transportation venues when this much needed economic stimulus becomes a reality in our Township.

Thank you for your consideration and support,

Alan Kesten, President

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June 6, 2014

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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The Hudson Valley is about to see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options, thanks to a brand new, state-of-the-art resort that is set to begin construction this fall. The 1,700-acre facility will provide a unique destination for tourists and families in search of some outstanding entertainment options and therefore employ 2,200 people and generate \$60 million of earnings annually for its employees.

However, the economic benefits to the Hudson Valley are not limited to the employment opportunities the resort will provide. With so many tourists coming to stay at the project's hotels and other hotels in the region, many Sullivan County businesses are likely to see a major upswing in customers. In fact, one of the project's chief goals is to bring more business to the entire region to improve the overall economic health of our local communities.

I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,



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Tina Mapes, VP

Black Bear



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Regards,

Clifford Wayman, Jr.

Quarry Manager

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June 1, 2014

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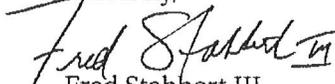
I am writing you as a representative of a family owned and operated business since 1927, now in its third generation. Our business overall dates back to 1891, making our organization one of the oldest in Sullivan County. I would like to offer my support for EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' \$750 million casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

As Chairman of the Board of the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic for the past three years, I have seen firsthand how important jobs are to the economic vitality of our area. In 1980, the first story I covered, was a Casino Rally in Albany before then Governor Hugh Carey and Lt. Gov. Mario Cuomo. The pins everyone wore said "Casinos Means Jobs." That statement is as true today as it was 34 years ago. Let's not wait any longer.

The economic impact of the resort will be tremendous. Casinos will start the rebirth of the Sullivan County Catskills from the minute you approve it and as construction commences on these great projects and more than 2,500 people are put back to work in the construction industry. Once complete, the project will support about 2,200 permanent positions, generating \$60 million annually in compensation for its employees. There are also potential future job opportunities in place for young people of the Hudson Valley region.

Casinos are good for the Sullivan County economy. We are a tourism based economy and Casinos would certainly help us in so many ways. I wholeheartedly support this new development because it will improve the quality of life for people in this region. I ask you to support it as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and Catskills community.

Sincerely,


Fred Stabbert III
Publisher

Publisher of the

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June 1, 2014

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Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

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The economic impact of the resort will be tremendous. The sheer size of the effort will make it necessary to employ a large number of contractors and workers — about 2,550 total — and generating a total of about \$150 million in pay. Once complete, the project will support about 2,200 permanent positions, generating \$60 million annually in compensation for its employees. There are also potential future job opportunities in place for young people of the Hudson Valley region.

As a small business in Monticello, I wholeheartedly support this new development because it will improve the quality of life for people in this region. I ask you to support it as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and Catskills community.

Sincerely,



Steven Fishman, M.D.

Catskill Distilling Company
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June 4, 2014

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Sincerely,

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Stacy Cohen
Owner
Catskill Distilling Company, Ltd.
Bethel, New York

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REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

June 6, 2014

Dear Sponsor:

Enclosed please find the program for the EMS Dinner of May 16th which you very generously supported. The dinner was an unqualified success despite the horrific rain that evening. Over two hundred people attended and every Fire Squad, Ambulance Corps and numerous Police Departments in Sullivan County were recognized and honored along with members of the CRMC ED Team.

Senator John Bonacic, District Attorney James Farrell and Darrell Supak Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Catskill Regional Medical Center spoke eloquently about the commitment and bravery of our first responders and those on the front lines of emergency care in Sullivan County.

Citations, Certificates and Awards as outlined in the program were presented to the honorees and the event was a noted success and covered by the local media. We are already in the planning stages for our May 15th 2015 EMS Celebration.

Again, on behalf of the Catskill Regional Foundation, the EMS Dinner Committee and the Catskill Regional Medical Center, we thank you for your generous support.

Very Sincerely,



Gerard Galarneau, MD
Chief Executive Officer/Chief Medical Officer

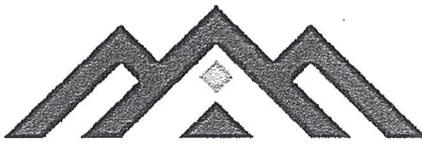
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June 4, 2014

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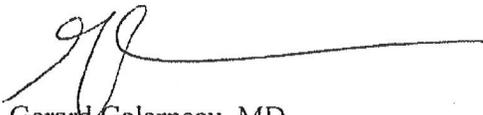
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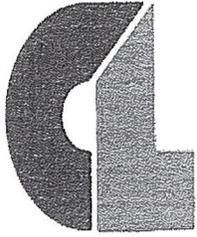


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June 6, 2014
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Regards,

Kevin Maher

Sales Representative

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June 4, 2014

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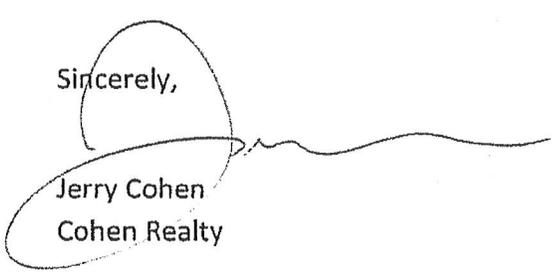
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Sincerely,



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Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I own Ecological Analysis, LLC in Orange County for 5 years. I have witnessed the demise of the Sullivan County Catskills tourism-based economy over decades, which has negatively impacted all of our businesses. In fact, much of our business stock has disappeared along with the jobs, payroll impact, and commercial tax base needed to sustain our communities and schools. I am writing this letter to support the EPR Casino in Sullivan County and two Casinos for Sullivan County in General.

The clustering of two projects in an area that historically was home to many resort destinations once again creates a true destination environment where visitors will partake in all of what Sullivan County has to offer. While other areas are touting grand casinos focusing on location, they are boutique in concept and do not impact areas as broadly as true resort destinations do.

Sullivan County Catskill Casinos will have a greater impact since our projects work to engage local vendor participation, local labor, local workforce development, and reach far into our communities to help support community groups, businesses, and our municipalities. The introduction of anywhere from 2200 jobs to up to twice that amount along with an investment of between \$750,000 to over \$1 billion if two are selected, will positively impact Sullivan County, our region, and New York State.

Businesses that have endured difficult economic times for years are poised to grow and hire new employees once demand increases as a result of a successful award. Construction of facilities alone will generate an extraordinary revenue stream to area small businesses and attract many ancillary businesses not always identified in statistical projects.

Since the gaming commission has clearly indicated its desire to locate projects in areas that will have the highest impact and best value, I believe that Sullivan County clearly has the best sites that are ready now. Your favorable review of Sullivan County projects will act as an economic catalyst for all of the Catskill/Hudson Valley region.

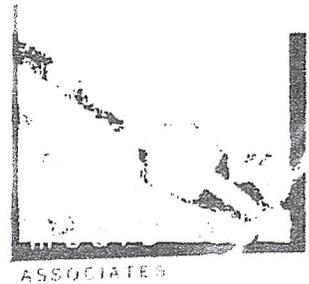
Respectfully,

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James A. Bates, CPESC, CPSWQ
Managing Member
Ecological Analysis, LLC

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ASSOCIATES

June 11, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe, Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The \$750 million **EPR Properties and Empire Resorts** project is poised to become a great force for economic improvement here in Sullivan County where I make my home and my living.

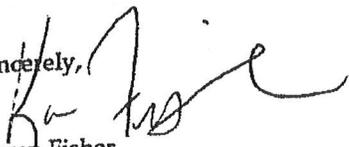
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While we can expect to see tourism-based businesses enjoy a spike in business, I'm encouraged by the recent efforts of **EPR Properties and Empire Resorts** to form partnerships with local companies outside the tourism business. I am also pleased with their planned job-training program that should provide valuable training and future employment opportunities for college graduates... the future of our county.

Sullivan County residents and businesses will see tremendous benefits from this project and I fully support it.

Sincerely,


Karen Fisher
President
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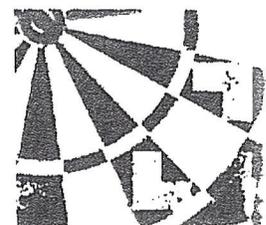
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May 23, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

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As a resident of Sullivan County and an employee that does significant business in Sullivan County, I ask you to support this casino project as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and Catskills community.

Sincerely,

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Caitlin Huebner



Mike Bieger
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Mike Bieger



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May 30, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
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Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Re: Support for EPR Properties and Empire Resorts

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am the President/CEO of Jeff Bank, a 100 year old community bank located in Sullivan County, NY. Our economy has, and still is largely based upon tourism. Unfortunately, we have experienced a significant decline in the economy which has caused sustained loss of employment, poverty and poor health conditions for residents in Sullivan County. The \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. Sullivan County will benefit greatly from construction-related jobs and permanent full and part-time positions. The increase in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. By the end of the construction period, the resort is estimated to create about 2,200 new permanent jobs, resulting in \$60 million in annual employee compensation. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate. Additionally, we hope that individuals and families visiting the resort will purchase goods and services from area businesses which will further benefit the local economy. The Jeff Bank is highly supportive of the EPR/Empire Resorts project.

Sincerely,

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Wayne V. Zanetti
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Ms. Thorpe,

I am writing to you because I feel strongly about the potential of the \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project that is being considered for our area. This project is just what our area needs and is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement for Sullivan County. A four-star resort and gaming destination, this project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors, not only from across this region, but areas as far reaching as nationally and internationally.

In the past Sullivan County has traditionally been a popular getaway destination for generations. Back then, the resorts were the place to be and everyone headed to the Catskills for vacations and weekend getaways. Sadly, the great resorts of the past are ghost towns and the area has now been reduced to a low income area, that is run down and does not have much to offer to its residents and to potential vacationers. This area is primed with potential to once again shine and build on past reputations. This project will certainly be the highlight! The Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from the project, from start to finish. The construction process alone, which will employ hundreds of workers, will have a major impact on the economy. Once the resort is up and running, the boom in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents and, of course, increase a stream of tax revenues for the county, as well as the state.

I myself, have been a part of the Sullivan County for over 8 years, including my company in Monticello. I stand behind and applaud the effort to give this project the go-ahead. It makes sense for the community, the gaming commission and the state. This will certainly be a model for the resurrection of a once great area which, due to the change in our society, fell on tough times. Once this is approved, everyone that had a hand in this will look back with pride on the complete turn around of this community.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. Please help bring the pride back to Sullivan County!

Sincerely,

John BC Keats
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June 1, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

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With your support, the Hudson Valley would see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options. The economic benefits to the Hudson Valley extend beyond the employment opportunities the resort will provide. Tourists will bring revenue to Sullivan County businesses to benefit of the overall economic health of our local communities. Please support this project.

Sincerely,

Sean Brooks

Carl Santos
New Hope Community, Inc.
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June 6, 2014

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Thank you for considering this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Haber

President North East division

June 8, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301 - 7500

Re: EPR Properties Resort Destination Casino Project

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The economic struggles we face in Sullivan County have been all consuming and have unfortunately become the barometer by which we carry on our daily lives. As a Sullivan County resident I was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. I feel that the projects submitted from the Sullivan County Catskills have taken all the right steps to be well positioned for success in this RFA process.

From the professional development team, environmental readiness, to utilizing facilities that were previous resort destination properties, to engaging our local businesses and residents, our projects are ready now. Our projects do not have to wait for SEQRA as they all will have completed the process before you make a recommendation to the Gaming Commission. If New York is truly interested in impacting an area that is in need of economic stimulus now, I can see no better use of public policy making than to award a gaming license to EPR Properties which will revive an area steeped in hospitality history.

I wholeheartedly support EPR Properties resort casino but the clustering of two projects will create a true destination place where patrons can enjoy all of what the Sullivan County Catskills have to offer. Your favorable review of this critical Sullivan County proposal will bring much needed investment, jobs, and much needed related development to our county.

Sincerely,



Robert S. Gaiman
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May 28, 2014

Sullivan County Visitors Association
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Re. YES - Sullivan County Needs Casinos

I grew up and graduated high school in Callicoon (Sullivan County) decades ago. I left after business school due to lack of jobs. If anything it is worse now than then.

I came back to the region 16 years ago and felt forced to live in Orange County for business opportunities though my heart still lives in Sullivan County. I am an entrepreneur and just love to pull people together by writing or assisting them to write a business plan. I even sell a 6 ½ hr. class for less than \$100. Most of the chatter I hear is "I have no money". Comparatively my services are not that expensive, but even a \$400 retainer for a custom plan is too much for most. And, that is too often followed by, "I have bad credit".

My desire to help extends to volunteer Chair of Sullivan County Score. The chapter was to be extinguished and rolled into Orange County Score three years ago because no one would volunteer. I said let me try. I am up and down Route 17 every other weekend or more re family and friends in Hortonville and I care. Score provides free counseling, forms and webinars to people who want to start a business and those already in business. Sullivan County is ready and waiting for a stimulus of any kind. Casinos would be over the top wonderful.

Please, please, please - give Sullivan County two casinos to raise per capita and household income, help build taxable buildings, bring in workers to occupy empty homes, build homes, spend money all over the county and alleviate deafening cries of poverty, unemployment, high taxes and long drives over snow laden mountains to out-of-county jobs.

Hope springs eternal? Let the eternal waiting end. Let the good people of Sullivan County show what they can do when they have something to work with and for. Sullivan County has earned Casinos by suffering through more false starts than we can count. Let those hopes pay off - now.

Thank you

Charlene Finerty, Owner Plans and Profits, LLC
Charlene Finerty, Chapter Chair 0697 Sullivan County Score

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June 1, 2014

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As a business owner, I wholeheartedly support this new development because it will improve the quality of life for people in this region. I ask you to support it as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and Catskills community.

Sincerely,

Ellie DeSimone

5/30/14

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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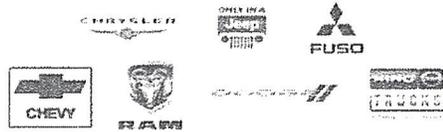
Sincerely,



Harold Tighe
471 Horseshoe Lake Rd
Swan Lake, NY 12783
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dba Robert Green Truck Division



June 5, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. A four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region of the U.S. and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700 acre site in the Catskills, one of the most accessible and striking areas of New York State. It has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming.

The Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from construction. The boom in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. By the end of the construction period, the resort will have created about 2,200 new permanent jobs, resulting in \$60 million in annual employee compensation. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate.

In addition, the resort's construction alone will create more than 2,550 jobs. These contributions to the region's economy and tourism industry have positioned EPR Properties and Empire Gaming Economic Development Act. The lodging options alone will include more than 1,100 hotel rooms in five different venues: the casino hotel, bed and breakfast, resort hotel, adventure hotel and water park hotel. The individuals and families being housed at the resort will undoubtedly want to explore the Sullivan County area, resulting in more business for local companies.

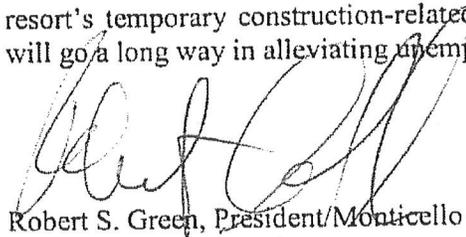
Area businesses will see even greater benefits than a spike in tourism, however. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts are working to form proactive and lucrative partnerships with local companies and entertainment venues. In addition, the organization's upcoming job training program will provide valuable training and many future employment and advancement opportunities for college graduates.

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Sullivan County residents and businesses will see tremendous benefits from this project's construction and operation. Increased tourism will boost local businesses, while the resort's temporary construction-related jobs and permanent full-and part-time positions will go a long way in alleviating unemployment rates throughout the county.



Robert S. Green, President/Monticello



Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
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One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

Our company owns and operates several businesses in Sullivan County, The Sullivan Hotel, Bernie's Holiday Restaurant, Crust Italian Eatery, Fanatics Sports Bar, and the soon to be opening Brew just to name a few. I have witnessed the demise of the Sullivan County Catskills tourism-based economy over decades, which has negatively impacted all of our businesses. In fact, much of our business stock has disappeared along with the jobs, payroll impact, and commercial tax base needed to sustain our communities and schools. I am writing this letter to support The Empire Resort/EPR Properties Adelaar project at the former Concord site in Kiamesha.

The placement of this Destination Resort Casino of in an area that historically was home to many resort destinations once again creates a true destination environment where visitors will partake in all of what Sullivan County has to offer. While other areas are touting grand casinos focusing on location, they are boutique in concept and do not impact areas as broadly as true resort destinations do.

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We will promote, support, and cross market with this project as it will have a huge impact on our businesses and be beneficial to everyone to do so. Businesses that have endured difficult economic times for years are poised to grow and hire new employees once demand increases as a result of a successful award. Construction of facilities alone will generate an extraordinary revenue stream to area small businesses and attract many ancillary businesses not always identified in statistical projects.

Since the gaming commission has clearly indicated its desire to locate projects in areas that will have the highest impact and best value, I believe that Sullivan County clearly has the best sites that are ready now. Your favorable review of Sullivan County projects will act as an economic catalyst for all of the Catskill/Hudson Valley region.

Sincerely,

Randy Resnick

Phil Vallone
President
Rolling V Transportation Services
Route 42
PO Box 110
South Fallsburg, NY 12779

June 1, 2014

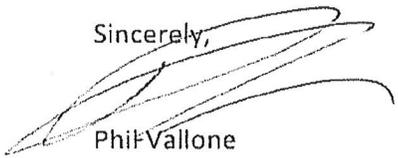
Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

Rolling V Transportation Services fully supports the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. The construction of the project itself is quite an advantage for the region, as more than 2,500 jobs will be created during the process and it will be fully constructed through union labor. And, more than 2,200 permanent positions will be created to operate the site. Early estimates indicate that this means a brand-new \$60 million in employee compensation offered to area workers, putting money right back into the community's pockets.

With your support, the Hudson Valley would see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options. The economic benefits to the Hudson Valley extend beyond the employment opportunities the resort will provide. Tourists will bring revenue to Sullivan County businesses to benefit of the overall economic health of our local communities. Please support this project.

Sincerely,



Phil Vallone

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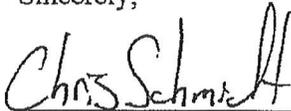
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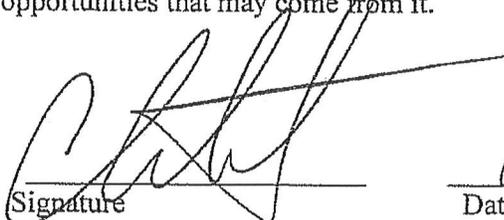
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Sincerely,



Name


Signature


Date

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Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Re: Sullivan County New York Resort Destination Casino Project at the Concord and Grossingers

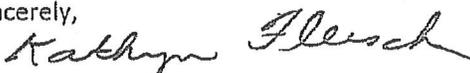
Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The economic struggles we face in Sullivan County have been all consuming and have unfortunately become the barometer by which we carry on our daily lives. As a Sullivan County resident I was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. I feel that the projects submitted from the Sullivan County Catskills have taken all the right steps to be well positioned for success in this RFA process.

From the professional development team, environmental readiness, to utilizing facilities that were previous resort destination properties, to engaging our local businesses and residents, our projects are ready now. Our projects do not have to wait for SEQRA as they all will have completed the process before you make a recommendation to the Gaming Commission. If New York is truly interested in impacting an area that is in need of economic stimulus now, I can see no better use of public policy making than to award a gaming license to Empire Resorts/EPR and Foxwoods which will revive an area steeped in hospitality history.

I wholeheartedly support both these casino locations because the clustering of two projects will create a true destination place where patrons can enjoy all of what the Sullivan County Catskills have to offer. Your favorable review of this critical Sullivan County proposal will bring much needed investment, jobs, and much needed related development to our county.

Sincerely,


Kathryn Fleischer



Schumacher Systems, Inc.

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Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
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Schenectady, NY12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I have owned and operated Schumacher Systems, Inc., a commercial construction firm, in Sullivan County for twenty-four years. I have witnessed the demise of the Sullivan County Catskills tourism-based economy over decades, which has negatively impacted all of our businesses. In fact, much of our business stock has disappeared along with the jobs, payroll impact, and commercial tax base needed to sustain our communities and schools. I am writing this letter to support two Casino Resort destination projects in Sullivan County.

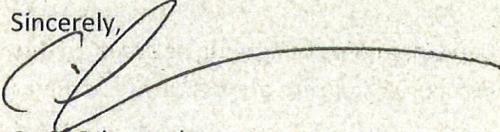
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Sincerely,



Craig Schumacher
President



June 3, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe,

Please accept this letter of support for the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project "Adelaar" at the former Concord property in Kiamesha Lake, NY. This particular project is very well positioned to provide great economic stimulation in the area of Sullivan County, NY and surrounding areas. The development group has assembled a world class planning and design team to bring this "year round" resort destination to fruition. This project location has a 1,700 acre site in the Catskills, one of the most striking and beautiful areas of New York State, and will be offering a diverse array of experiences including indoor and outdoor activities, dining, shopping and gaming. Many construction jobs will be created, as well as permanent jobs for area residents.

In addition, EPR Properties and Empire Resorts "Adelaar" project will fit well with other attractions in the area, including but not limited to Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, Monticello Motor Club, and the Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Club. In combination, the individuals and families visiting the "Adelaar" resort will have many options to explore during their visit to Sullivan County, NY. This will result in more business for local companies and a destination experience for visitors with year round attractions.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lyle R. Shute'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Lyle R. Shute P.E., LEED AP
Principal

Bob Ernst
Stonemyer Consultants Inc.
38 Lake Shore Drive S
Rock Hill, NY 12775

June 1, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The Hudson Valley is about to see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options, thanks to a brand new, state-of-the-art resort that is set to begin construction this fall. The 1,700-acre facility will provide a unique destination for tourists and families in search of some outstanding entertainment options and therefore employ 2,200 people and generate \$60 million of earnings annually for its employees.

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I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,



Bob Ernst

Marc Jaffe, Owner
Snowdance Farm
218 Knickerbocker Road
Livingston Manor, NY 12758

June 11, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

My wife and I own a small family farm in Livingston Manor, N.Y. and I am writing to express my support for EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' \$750 million casino resort project.

The resort's leadership team recently announced a program to purchase goods and services from local businesses. We were invited to a seminar outlining the program, designed to support the community and stimulate local economic development. To date, I am personally unaware of business that has transpired as a result of this program, but if the approval of Empire Resorts' casino resort project allows for more local purchasing, I fully endorse its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

I wholeheartedly support this new development because it will improve the quality of life for people in this region. I ask you to support it as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and the Catskills community.

Sincerely,



Marc Jaffe

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May 30, 2014

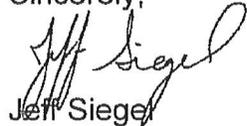
Dear EPR Properties and Empire Resorts,

I am writing this letter to let you know that myself and our company, The Spencer Daniels Agency Inc., is in full support of the Casino Project in the Town of Thompson in Sullivan County

We believe that this is a win win for the community, EPR Properties and Empire Resorts and all of the businesses throughout Sullivan County.

We are looking forward to having you as part of our community.

Sincerely,



Jeff Siegel
President

The Spencer Daniels Agency Inc.

Stray Cat Gallery
2032 Route 17B
Bethel, NY 12720

June 4, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

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I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,



Stacy Cohen
Owner

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

June 15, 2014

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center is pleased to offer its support to the proposed EPR Properties and Empire Resorts proposed development in Thompsonville, NY.

For more than 30 years, the people of Sullivan County have pursued the chance of winning approval for casino gaming as an economic boost for our area only to be thwarted time and time again by interests outside New York State with the dollars to expend to protect those interests. Hopefully, with the passage of Proposition 1, that dream will become a reality. Considering this history and the demonstrated need for the economic revitalization of Sullivan County, we urgently request that two casino licenses be approved for Sullivan.

That being said, the Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from the construction of the EPR project. The boom in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. We are confident that they will operate a first class establishment that will maximize tax revenues for the State and create an abundance of good employment opportunities for Sullivan County residents. Villa Roma Resort supports the EPR and Empire Resorts project plus a second casino project in Sullivan County which will combine to exponentially increase the economic stimulus to the Catskills that it most urgently needs.

Villa Roma Resort believes that EPR will fulfill its promises to partner with other local hotels, restaurants, attractions and arts venues with on site as well as advertising cooperative promotions in order that all segments of the Sullivan County community will benefit from the economic spin off of this project.

We respectfully request that positive consideration be given to the EPR and Empire Resorts' project.

Yours truly,

Paul Carlucci
Vice President
Villa Roma Resort & Conference Center

**Carnesi & Son Inc.
589 Route 17B
Monticello, NY 12701**

June 12, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
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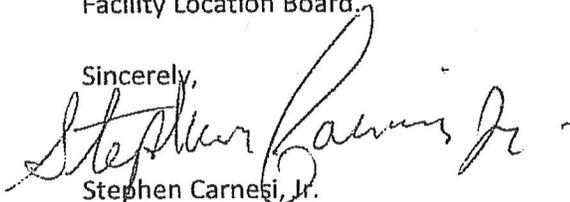
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As a small business that is elevated by its existing relationship with MC&R, I wholeheartedly support this casino application because of MC&R's dedication and historic commitment to local businesses. They can and will do much more, should they be awarded a casino license by the Facility Location Board.

Sincerely,



Stephen Carnesi, Jr.
President

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Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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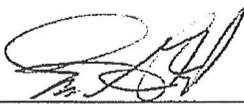
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Sincerely,

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Name


Signature

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Date

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June 13, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
NYS Gaming Commission
1 Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301

Dear Ms. Thorpe,

I wanted you to know that I support the Empire Resorts endeavor to build a hotel and casino. This will improve our depressed area by bringing in thousands of jobs that are desperately needed to revitalize our area. I believe without this development our beloved Sullivan County will not prosper or move forward. We once were the crown jewel of New York many years ago I hope this will bring us back to those days.

Empire Resorts is a great neighbor by helping our community with donations to local charities. They have many events at the raceway which they donate their time, money and energy. Empire Resorts purchases from local businesses like ourselves instead of purchasing outside the area, which makes them a community minded business.

I would hope you see how important it is for this casino and hotel development to precede and bring back Sullivan County to its glory. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Mitchell Cooper
President



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June 13, 2014

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Sincerely,

JOEL S. ROSS

Name

KENNETH S. ROSS

Name

Joel S. Ross

Signature

Kenneth S. Ross

Signature

6/16/14

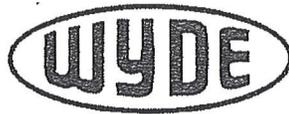
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Schenectady, NY12301-7500

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Sincerely,

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Alan Madnick, Pres.

Monticello, NY

Allison Simpson
63 Liberty Street
Monticello, NY 12701

June 6, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
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Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

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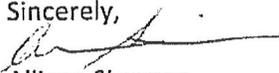
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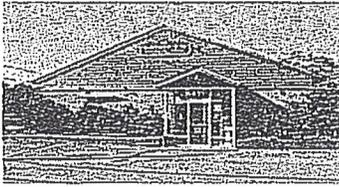
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I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,


Allison Simpson



Kristt Co.

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Kristt Company
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New York State Gaming Location Board
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Schenectady, NY 12305

To whom it may concern,

Please issue a permit for Empire Resorts to construct a casino on the old Concord Hotel property in the Town of Thompson, Sullivan County, NY. That permit is very important to the economy of Sullivan County. It is also very important to the economy of ALL the counties in Region 1 of the Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act.

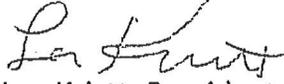
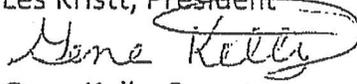
The impact of a casino in Sullivan County will help add directly to the real estate tax base of the Town of Thompson and the County of Sullivan. The casino construction will initially create many jobs for the county. It will then provide many needed permanent jobs for the county once the casino is up and running.

A casino in that location will also be a catalyst for the influx of businesses that will be needed to support the casino itself and the many people who come to get entertained by the activity within the casino. The County of Sullivan is poised to become a destination resort area once a casino is built. Therefore Sullivan County will have a tendency to grow and develop allied types of entertainment venues once an Empire Resorts casino is in operation.

Our business in particular, Kristt Company, will be impacted in a very positive fashion with a new Empire Resorts casino. At the present, Monticello Casino Raceway purchases whatever products that they can from Kristt Company. In March 2012, they purchased all their copier/multifunction machines from us. There are 11 machines that have been doing about 113,000 total copies per month since then. Kristt Company continues to service the equipment and provide toner for them. A while ago, Kristt Company negotiated to be their vendor for all their office supply items as well. The relationship between Empire Resorts has been very beneficial for both the Raceway and Kristt Company. Empire Resorts gets a local vendor with personalized quick efficient service and the proper price. Kristt Company gets a high volume client that pays its bills promptly.

With the advent of the new Empire Resorts casino, there will undoubtedly be a great deal more multifunction machines that they will need and for sure their need for general office supplies will increase dramatically. Kristt Company fully expects to be their vendor of choice for both types of items.

Along with the increase in business as Empire Resorts transforms from the Racino into a full blown casino, Kristt Company looks forward to the new business that all the auxiliary businesses will provide as they start to develop over the entire County of Sullivan. We at Kristt Company are looking forward to the direct and the indirect business that an Empire Resorts casino at the Concord Hotel site will generate over time. Please accommodate our needs by choosing the Empire Resorts Concord site as one of possibly two sites that will be chosen in Region 1. We thank you for your consideration in this matter.


Les Kristt, President

Gene Kelly, Secretary
Kristt Company

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

My name is Nolan Levine and I am the Vice President/Owner of the Fallsburg Lumber Company. I have been a vendor for Monticello Casino and Raceway/Empire Resorts for many years. Over the past years I have built a very strong relationship and have enjoyed the business partnership we have established. The level of professionalism is unmatched, making Empire a pleasure to do business with.

Empire Resorts understands the importance of supporting local businesses. Too often large corporations forget this and show no appreciation for their neighbors. This is not the case and for this reason Monticello Casino and Raceway/Empire Resorts should be awarded a Region 1 casino license. The purpose of proposition 1 is to stimulate upstate New York. By supporting the local businesses this task will become reality, and Empire Resorts is committed to seeing it through.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nolan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nolan Levine
Vice President
Fallsburg Lumber



Combined Energy Services

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June 11, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. A four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region of the U.S and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700-acre site in the Catskills, one of the most accessible and striking areas of New York State. It has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming.

The Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from construction. The boom in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resort itself will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. By the end of the construction period, the resort will have created about 2,200 new permanent jobs, resulting in \$60 million in annual employee compensation. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate.

In addition, the resort's construction alone will create more than 2,550 jobs. These contributions to the region's economy and tourism industry have positioned EPR Properties and Empire Resorts to achieve the economic investment and tourism goals required from the state in its Gaming Economic Development Act. The lodging options alone will include more than 1,100 hotel rooms in five different venues: the casino hotel, bed and breakfast, resort hotel, adventure hotel and waterpark hotel. The individuals and families being housed at the resort will undoubtedly want to explore the Sullivan County area, resulting in more business for local companies.

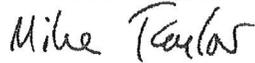
Area businesses will see even greater benefits than a spike in tourism, however. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts are working to form proactive and lucrative partnerships

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with local companies and entertainment venues. In addition, the organization's upcoming job training program will provide valuable training and many future employment and advancement opportunities for college graduates. Sullivan County residents and businesses will see tremendous benefits from this project's construction and operation. Increased tourism will boost local businesses, while the resort's temporary construction-related jobs and permanent full- and part-time positions will go a long way in alleviating unemployment rates throughout the county.

Very truly,

COMBINED ENERGY SERVICES

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Michael Taylor, owner

mtaylor@combinedenergyservices.com



Eddie Harper
Executive Vice President & CEO
Mid-Hudson Co-Operative Insurances Co.
104 Bracken Road
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June 5, 2014

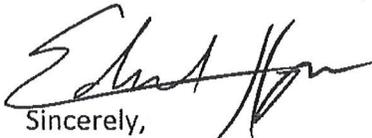
Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

We are an insurance cooperative with operations throughout the Hudson Valley and are a member of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce. I would like to offer my support for EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' \$750 million casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

Once the project is complete, there will be an estimated 2,200 permanent employees of the resort, who will receive more than \$60 million in annual compensation. The economic benefits to the Hudson Valley go beyond the employment opportunities the resort will provide. With so many tourists coming into stay at the resort's hotels, other Sullivan County businesses are likely to see a major upswing in customers. In fact, one of the chief goals of EPR Properties and Empire Resorts is to bring more business to the entire region to improve the overall economic health of our local communities. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts have proven their commitment to this goal by working tirelessly to establish partnerships with area businesses and entertainment venues.

I ask you to support this project the sake of Sullivan County and the Hudson Valley.


Sincerely,

Eddie Harper

Better Service
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June 1, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

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I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,

David Wenner

Dancing Cat Saloon
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Bethel, NY 12720

June 4, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The construction of the project itself is quite an advantage for the region, as more than 2,500 jobs will be created during the process and it will be fully constructed through union labor. After the project is completed, there will be more than 2,200 permanent positions created for various jobs throughout the entire resort. Early estimates indicate that this means a brand-new \$60 million in employee compensation offered to area workers, putting money right back into the community's pockets.

With your support, the Hudson Valley would see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options. The economic benefits to the Hudson Valley extend beyond the employment opportunities the resort will provide. Tourists will bring revenue to Sullivan County businesses to benefit of the overall economic health of our local communities. Please support this project.

Sincerely,



Stacy Cohen
Owner

TOWN & COUNTRY
P R E F E R R E D P R O P E R T I E S

June 6, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

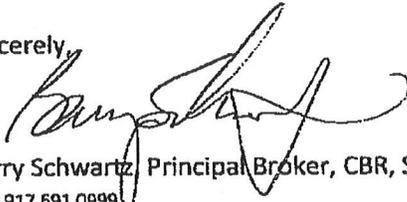
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As a long-time, Real Estate professional and local businessman, I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,



Barry Schwartz Principal Broker, CBR, SRES and Certified Eco-Broker...Sullivan Counties NY
Cell: 917.691.0999

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May 28, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
Contract Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

RE: EPA Properties and Empire Resort Project

Dear Ms. Thorpe

The above mentioned project will have enormous economic benefits to Sullivan County. They have already invested millions of dollars over the last few years to finalize the design and secure all of the required permitting. Their commitment to the local community is unsurpassed and unprecedented by any others. The resort not only will provide gaming and a hotel but will also offer indoor and outdoor recreation and as such, will provide a broader venue to a more diverse visitor.

The impact to the area in job creation will result in a tremendous revitalization of a part of our State so plagued by unemployment. Not only will they establish over 2,000 permanent jobs but have committed to using only local workers and qualified local Contractors to perform the construction.

This long awaited resort stands alone in their dedication to Sullivan County and the positive impact they will have in bringing back the Catskill's to a vibrant economic driven landmark.

Sincerely,



Robert Kaehler
President

RK/dr

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING & INSPECTION SERVICES

January 14, 2013

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board:

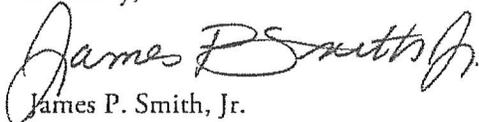
I am writing to express my strong support for the casino resort project planned by EPR Properties and Empire Resorts at the Concord site. I would also like to urge the Town of Thompson Board to take the steps necessary at its meeting on Tuesday, January 14, to allow the project to continue making swift progress.

My support of this project is rooted in my experience as a local business owner. I know the importance the tourism industry has played in Sullivan County, and I'm excited about the possibilities for the economic rebirth that this project presents. The resort will help revitalize our community in an unprecedented way, offering a true destination not only for visitors to our region, but also for local community members to enjoy year-round. Beyond the entertainment and tourism value, I also fully support the project for the numerous construction jobs that that will a part of this project in addition to the many permanent positions that will be created once construction has concluded.

I have been impressed with the partner's plans to create a neighborhood environment with the resort, with nearly 2,000 hotel rooms and a great deal of commercial space for local businesses. There will also be entertainment and recreational uses, as well as hundreds of residential units available at full build-out. It's safe to say that there is nothing like it in our region—and perhaps not in New York State as a whole. It is my belief that this will draw residents from all corners of the region looking for a new and exciting place to enjoy time with friends and families.

On Tuesday, I hope the Board approves the SEQRA findings, PRD Text Amendments and Comprehensive Development Plan for the resort. If it does, it will allow a tremendously beneficial project to move forward right here in our community.

Sincerely,



James P. Smith, Jr.

President

Advance Testing Company, Inc.

Frank Miller & Linda Miller
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June 12, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
Schenectady, New York 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe,

We would like to express our support for casinos in Sullivan County, where we have a second home.

I'm sure you know that Sullivan County has been fighting for and depending on Gaming for many years in order to re-vitalize the County. Now that it has been passed in New York State it would appear that other "Johnny Come Lately" counties (specifically Orange County) are attempting to pre-empt the long term efforts of Sullivan for their benefit.

I'm sure you also know that Sullivan has already designated a number of locations for such gaming.

You may not be aware of it but at present, about 80% of our Sullivan County Taxes go to Welfare, Medicaid and other "welfare" costs passed down from the State. Gaming in our County would significantly provide the jobs, tourist revenues and income that our County so desperately needs.

Without the Gaming in Sullivan, I fear this county will be destined to suffer significant further decline. Taxes will increase, homes will be for sale and the future of the County will be bleak at best.

It would truly be shameful to allow the Gaming in another County when Sullivan has planned so long and worked so hard to secure the benefits that Gaming would offer.

Thank you for your concern and efforts in our behalf.

Sincerely,



Frank & Linda Miller
140 Starlight Drive
Monticello, New York 12701



January 14, 2013

California

- Irvine
- Long Beach
- San Diego

Town of Thompson Town Board
Anthony Cellini, Town Supervisor
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Re: Letter of Support- EPT Concord Resort

Colorado

- Denver

Dear Sir/Madam

Georgia

- Alpharetta
- Atlanta
- John's Creek
- Roswell

Were it not for the Concord hotel and the role it played in the Sullivan County Catskills, I would not be alive to write this letter.

My mother arrived from Switzerland, Thanksgiving, 1959. She was hired to teach skiing at the Concord. She met my father, Walter Rhulen, at the Old Homestead restaurant, the day she arrived. They married three months later, and the rest is history.

Illinois

- Chicago

Sullivan County's economy has always hinged on tourism. Post WWII through the 70s, Sullivan County was a premier tourist and convention destination. The sheer number of hotels and second home/summer communities were the economic engine this county thrived on. The hotels were responsible for the development of countless ancillary businesses that were needed to support their existence, e.g. the steam laundry in Monticello that was started by my grandfather's family, Max Rhulen. They washed all the linens for the hotels in the region.

New Jersey

- Freehold
- Parsippany
- Ridgewood

My family has been in Sullivan County for five generations, spanning over 100 years. During the last 30 years, we have watched business after business close or leave the county, including our own. We know first-hand the financial impacts a community experiences, and the human toll it takes on employees, when a significant employer is lost.

New York

- New York
- Rock Hill

Notwithstanding the tremendous effort made by many non-profit economic development agencies, many of which I participate on as a board member (Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development; IDA, Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress, and formerly the Sullivan County Chamber and the Monticello Action Committee), there is just so much these organizations can accomplish without a significant economic engine humming in the background. Although there have been measurable gains in both new and expanding business in the county, the scale of the EPT project would catapult Sullivan County's economic recovery in an unparalleled way.

Texas

- Austin
- Houston
- Mission

Washington, D.C.

Wisconsin

- Madison

On behalf of my family, and my greater Sullivan County family, I urge you to support this project.

Thank you,
Suzanne Rhulen Loughlin

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY12301-7500

5/29/14

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

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I wholeheartedly support a destination resort casino project ,if not two, as the clustering of these projects will create a true destination place where patrons can enjoy all of what the Sullivan County Catskills have to offer. Your favorable review of Sullivan County proposals will bring much needed investment, jobs, and much needed related development to our county.

Sincerely,



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June 6, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

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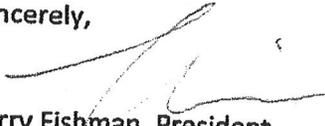
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I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,


Larry Fishman, President
Majestic Drug Co., Inc.



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Fax 845-791-5283

June 5, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is truly a monumental asset for the Hudson Valley, both in terms of opportunities for tourism and for economic growth. The project will be completely union-built, thanks to project labor agreements with the Hudson Valley Building and Construction Trades Council. An estimated 2,500 positions are available for workers and contractors to take on the construction of this effort, with 2,200-plus more permanent positions available across the resort after construction is finished. In this way, EPR Properties and Empire Resorts will provide a huge boost to the local economy and help fight unemployment.

EPR Properties and Empire Resorts have also made a significant commitment to local businesses, and have already formed agreements with local entertainment venues, businesses and vendors. Its belief is that the resort will help the entire region to prosper, and one of its top priorities is to make that happen.

There has already been much enthusiasm and anticipation built up surrounding this project, and awareness of its importance to the growth and development of Sullivan County. I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,
Ellie Hyde
Broker Owner

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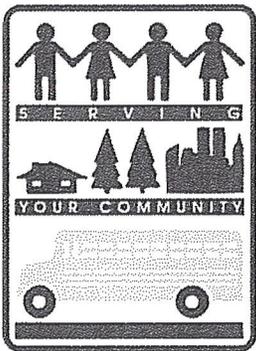
January 15th, 2013

To Whom it May Concern,

Please let this letter serve as confirmation that the Vallone family of businesses whole heartedly support the EPT project. Our enterprises include Rolling V Bus Corp, Big V Tours, Big V Bethel Woods Park Ride, Dimifini Land holding companies, The Roscoe Beer Company and the Prohibition Distillery. We employ over 300 people in Sullivan County and make a point of sourcing all of our material and services locally. It is important to us to do so and is an integral part of our mission statement.

A commitment to a REAL Hotel with a Convention and Conference Center is just the impetus we need to have greater confidence to invest additional money in ventures in our local communities. The Vallones have a reputation of saying what they mean and meaning what they say.

Our confidence will be bolstered by the progress of the EPT project and we WILL invest in our community – PROMISE



ROLLING V
BUS CORPORATION

Thank You,
Phil Vallone

Phil Vallone
President

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June 3, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301 - 7500

Re: Empire Resort Destination Casino Project

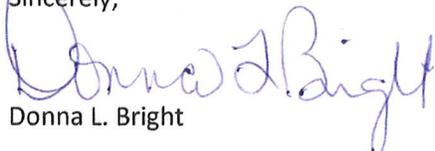
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From the professional development team, environmental readiness, to utilizing facilities that were previous resort destination properties, to engaging our local businesses and residents, our projects are ready now. Our projects do not have to wait for SEQRA as they all will have completed the process before you make a recommendation to the Gaming Commission. If New York is truly interested in impacting an area that is in need of economic stimulus now, I can see no better use of public policy making than to award a gaming license to Empire Resorts which will revive an area steeped in hospitality history.

I wholeheartedly support Empire Resort casino but the clustering of two projects will create a true destination place where patrons can enjoy all of what the Sullivan County Catskills have to offer. Your favorable review of this critical Sullivan County proposal will bring much needed investment, jobs, and much needed related development to our county.

Sincerely,


Donna L. Bright

Sharon L. Jankiewicz, Esq.
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Rock Hill, NY 12775
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May 30, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
NYS Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

RE: Letter of Support

Dear Supervisor Thorpe:

Sullivan County, once a thriving and viable tourist destination, is currently one of the most economically depressed counties, if not the most economically depressed county, in the State of New York. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts are attempting to make positive changes to this community and turn our economy around. I support their efforts and encourage you to grant them the approvals necessary to move their project forward. It will benefit the residents of Sullivan County and the State of New York as a whole.

The \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. As a four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across the region and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700-acre site in the Catskills, one of the most accessible and striking areas of New York State. It has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming.

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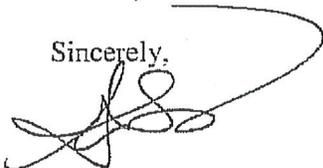
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RE: EPR Properties and Empire
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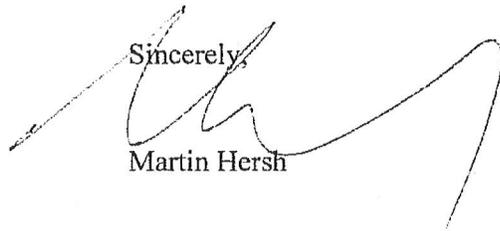
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Martin Hersh

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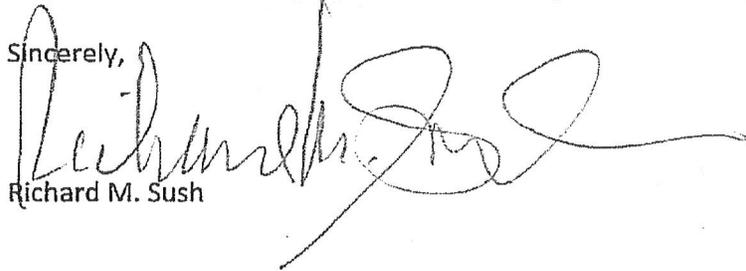
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Michael Dollard
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Liberty, New York

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Town of Thompson

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Paul Ciliberto, General Manager / Market Manager, Thunder 102, Liberty, NY

Patrice and Jonathan Sunshine
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June 5, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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Dear Ms. Thorpe:

My husband and I are business owners here in Sullivan County and we are in full support of EPR Properties and Empire Resorts casino resort project. We are endorsing it as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

We believe that the employment that this casino generates will trickle down to all aspects of our economic growth, ie. Housing, retail sales, the trades, sales tax, property taxes...etc. With so many tourists coming to stay at the resort's hotels, we envision the businesses here in Sullivan County reaping the benefits of foot traffic. We expect that this Casino, given the indoor water park and ski learning facility, will keep folks coming to our area year round and that is what Sullivan County needs most.

EPR Properties and Empire Resorts have had their hat in the ring for a while now and already has all the town and planning board approvals to move forward now. That enables them to begin building immediately, putting them far ahead of anyone else in the game. Being an entertainer who has worked in Atlantic City, Las Vegas, cruise ships, and here in the Catskill Mountains, I look forward to the possibilities of seeing Sullivan County regain its reputation for being an entertainment destination as well.

So for us, as Real Estate Brokers, Boutique owners and an Entertainer, we eagerly look forward to this new development and the influx of people visiting and moving to our region to improve our revenue and strengthen our towns and villages. I ask you to support this project for the sake of the Sullivan County Catskills community.

Sincerely,
Patti Greco Sunshine and Jonathan Sunshine

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June 11, 2014

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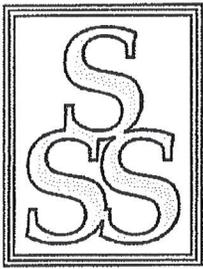
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In addition, the activity generated will increase the attractiveness of Sullivan County as a location for a vacation home. This type of residence adds greatly to the tax base and local economy with little drain on resources.

We supported the gaming amendment as a promised boost to the economy and tourism in an upstate area and Sullivan County fits the bill perfectly.

Very truly yours,





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Sincerely,

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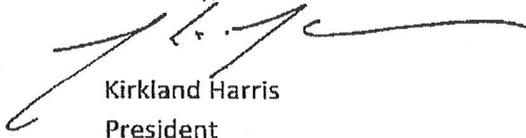
Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am an insurance broker with a business history of 30 years in Monticello, and I would like to offer my support for EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' \$750 million casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The economic impact of the resort will be tremendous. The sheer size of the effort will make it necessary to employ a large number of contractors and workers — about 2,550 total — and generating a total of about \$150 million in pay. Once complete, the project will support about 2,200 permanent positions, generating \$60 million annually in compensation for its employees. There are also potential future job opportunities in place for young people of the Hudson Valley region.

As a business professional in Monticello, I wholeheartedly support this new development because it will improve the quality of life for people in this region. I ask you to support it as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and Catskills community.

Sincerely,



Kirkland Harris
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May this correspondence serve as my support to Empire Resorts, Inc. in their efforts and desire to design, build and operate a Casino in Sullivan County, New York.

I believe Empire Resorts will responsibly operate this business venture to provide numerous economic opportunities to the residents of Sullivan County and the Mid Hudson Valley. They are making every effort to assure the business community that the following items are/will be addressed: **Buy Local**, this is very important to local businesses and the workers they employ; **Advertise and Hire locally**, this is critical with unemployment rates in Sullivan County exceeding state and national averages for years.

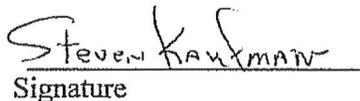
With the addition of 1,000+ **new jobs**, this project is critical to a community the size of Sullivan County and having these new jobs in our community will make a positive impact in many aspects of the community.

Empire Resorts supports many local charities including Boys and Girls Club, PBA, YMCA, and the New Hope Community. All of these services have served to enhance the quality of life in for ALL community members.

Just as importantly, the many socio-economic opportunities that can be derived from the development of a Casino will substantially enhance the standard of living in and around Sullivan County (increased tourism, jobs, etc.) It is for these reasons that Empire Resorts, Inc. is deserving of support in the growth and development of building and operating a Casino in the area and I look forward to the opportunities that may come from it.

Sincerely,


Name


Signature

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Date



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Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42 North
Monticello NY 12701

Dear Town of Thompson Board Members,

I am writing in support of the Entertainment Properties Trust (EPT) Concord Resort as a Priority Project for the Mid-Hudson Region. As President and one of the owners of Monticello Motor Club – currently the largest capital improvement project in Monticello, NY - we believe this project can bring transformative growth to the region. It will create over 1,000 new jobs and leverage our outstanding natural resources to further the development of a thriving tourism economy.

As a family and entertainment destination, the EPT Concord Resort's positive impacts will be felt throughout the region, creating economic opportunity for small businesses, entrepreneurs and ancillary industries including financial and professional services, hospitality, agriculture, food and beverage, construction, housing and healthcare.

The EPT Concord Resort will provide sustainable, long-term employment and career opportunities for our region's young professionals, helping to strengthen our middle class. Hundreds of millions of dollars of private investment and thousands of desperately needed jobs are associated with this project.

A destination resort of this scope can be transformative for the region. When combined with successful projects like our club and Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, Sullivan County will be poised to regain its reputation as one of the premier tourist destinations in the Northeast. Public-private partnerships such as this can help reverse years of rising unemployment and economic hardship and help to transform our regional economy. I urge your support of EPT Concord Resort as a priority project for the Mid-Hudson Region.

Sincerely,

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Ari Straus
President/Partner, Monticello Motor Club
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Re: Empire Resorts/EPR Properties - Resort Destination Casino Project

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I have lived in Sullivan County for more than 50 years—almost as long as ‘casinos’ have been on the table for Sullivan County. My mother came from Switzerland to the Catskills to teach skiing at the Concord Hotel—the very site proposed for the Empire Resorts/EPR project.

Our family was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. The promise of critically needed investment, jobs, and the ancillary economic impacts that will result, makes Adelaar/Empire Resorts, Resort Destination Casino Project the right choice for a New York gaming license.

As part of the recently announced \$750 million four-season destination project, including land value, the Empire Resorts project at Adelaar by every measure meets or exceeds the criteria under which the Upstate New York Gaming Economic Development Act of 2013 was constituted. Far from being a ‘fly-by-night’ or ‘Johnny come lately’ dream, Empire Resorts/EPR Properties have owned land and have been an integral part of the Sullivan County business community for years. They have been working on this project for the long term, ensuring that all State environmental approvals and any local concerns have been addressed. This includes all zoning, master development and environmental approvals for the destination resort, as well as site plan, infrastructure and permits to commence and complete the state-of-the-art casino and resort core, indoor water park hotel, and renovation of the 18-hole Monster golf course. It is therefore no surprise that the project has engendered broad based support from individuals, business groups, nonprofits and municipal bodies alike. Empire Resorts has engaged in the development of a workforce development plan to implement equal employment opportunities for minority, woman and veteran-owned businesses as well as creating a dedicated and efficient strategy to recruit and hire its future operational staff.

Empire Resorts/EPR Properties is estimated to generate significant economic activity for the region, including 2,550 construction jobs. It is estimated that approximately 2,200 full and part time workers will be employed, with expected annual compensation of more than \$60 million. This will not be a standalone casino operation focused solely on a single boutique hotel project. Rather, it will be truly a destination incorporating the best of a menu of modern day activities and attractions, all working in concert to provide a world class

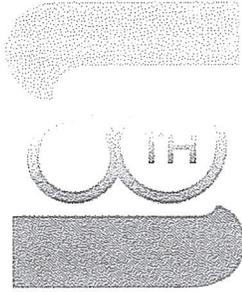
experience second to none. The vision and expertise behind the project underscores the spirit of the Upstate Gaming Legislation by providing for expansive ancillary investment and direct revenue to New York State and our localities. This one project will successfully address the States criteria of **'highest impact and best value'** by positively affecting businesses and citizens not only from Sullivan County, but also from throughout the region and well into further outlying areas. Thank you for your consideration of this most critical application

On behalf of my business, my family, and my greater Sullivan County family, I urge you to support this application.

Thank you,



Suzanne Rhulen Loughlin



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Christopher J. Spannos
Counter Sales Manager
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June 1, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The construction of the project itself is quite an advantage for the region, as more than 2,500 jobs will be created during the process and it will be fully constructed through union labor. After the project is completed, there will be more than 2,200 permanent positions created for various jobs throughout the entire resort. Early estimates indicate that this means a brand-new \$60 million in employee compensation offered to area workers, putting money right back into the community's pockets.

With your support, the Hudson Valley would see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options. The economic benefits to the Hudson Valley extend beyond the employment opportunities the resort will provide. Tourists will bring revenue to Sullivan County businesses to benefit of the overall economic health of our local communities. Please support this project.

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6/15/2014

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Re: EPR/ Empire Resort Destination Casino Project

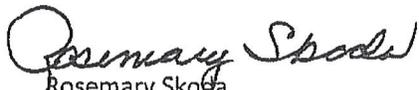
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Sincerely,


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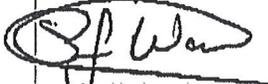
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The Hudson Valley is about to see a huge boost in its economy, workforce and entertainment options, thanks to a brand new, state-of-the-art resort that is set to begin construction this fall. The 1,700-acre facility will provide a unique destination for tourists and families in search of some outstanding entertainment options and therefore employ 2,200 people and generate \$60 million of earnings annually for its employees.

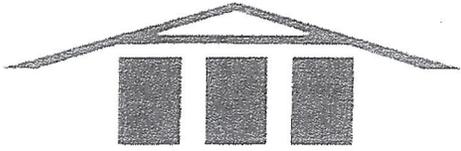
However, the economic benefits to the Hudson Valley are not limited to the employment opportunities the resort will provide. With so many tourists coming to stay at the project's hotels and other hotels in the region, many Sullivan County businesses are likely to see a major upswing in customers. In fact, one of the project's chief goals is to bring more business to the entire region to improve the overall economic health of our local communities.

I ask you to please support this project.

Sincerely,



Paul Walsh



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June 4, 2014

Gail P. Thorpe
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Re: Support for Resort and Gaming Destination in Sullivan County

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

On behalf of Associated Mutual Insurance Cooperative, we write in full support of the granting of two gaming licenses for proposed sites in Sullivan County. As a company that was founded and has stayed rooted in Sullivan County for over 100 years, we have seen and experienced the economic challenges that the county has faced, whether it be the decline of its tourism industry, flight of our younger generations as they go elsewhere to seek jobs, and general disenchantment. Sullivan County once served as the recreational backyard to the New York City metropolitan area, and with the granting of one or more gaming licenses in the county, it stands to regain that stature.

The Sullivan County community will benefit greatly from construction of the resorts as well as the businesses that will follow. The boom in tourism will positively impact local businesses, while the resorts themselves will offer thousands of permanent jobs to area residents. By the end of the construction period, one resort alone will have created 2,200 new permanent jobs, resulting in \$60 million in annual employee compensation. These jobs will go a long way toward reducing Sullivan County's unemployment rate.

In particular, the \$750 million EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project is well positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. In comparison to other proposals, this project stands to bring economic impact in the shortest amount of time given their planning efforts to date and the construction approval stage at which they're in. A four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region of the U.S and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700-acre site in the Catskills, one of the most accessible and striking areas of New York State. It has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, from indoor and outdoor recreational activities to fine dining, shopping and gaming.

In addition, the resort's construction will create more than 2,550 jobs. These contributions to the region's economy and tourism industry have positioned EPR Properties and Empire Resorts to achieve the economic investment and tourism goals required from the state in its Gaming Economic Development Act. The lodging options alone will include more than 1,100 hotel rooms in five different venues: the casino hotel, bed and breakfast, resort hotel, adventure hotel and waterpark hotel. The individuals and

families being housed at the resort will undoubtedly want to explore the Sullivan County area, resulting in more business for local companies.

Area businesses will see even greater benefits than a spike in tourism, however. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts are working to form proactive and lucrative partnerships with local companies and entertainment venues. In addition, the organization's upcoming job training program will provide valuable training and many future employment and advancement opportunities for college graduates.

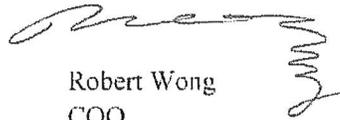
As a company that has experienced challenges in recruiting qualified candidates in the county, the broader impact of the resort developments will include the strengthening of the general labor pool from which we can draw.

We thank the Commission for their efforts and consideration in addressing the task at hand.

Yours truly,



Zane Morganstein
President & CEO
Monticello, NY



Robert Wong
COO
Monticello, NY

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5/30/14

To: Whom it may concern

I am writing to emphasize and strongly support the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts project to be your premier choice for the Catskill Region. I have been working for casino development for over forty years serving on the first "Sullivan County casino advisory committee" and fully understand the impacts for Sullivan County.

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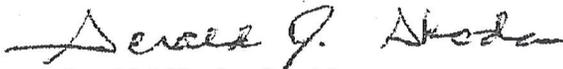
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Sullivan County residents and businesses will see tremendous benefits from this project's construction and operation. Increased tourism will boost local businesses, while the resort's temporary construction-related jobs and permanent full- and part-time positions will go a long way in alleviating unemployment rates throughout the county.

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Gerald J Skoda , President

Skoda Enterprise Inc.

Town of Fallsburg

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January 14, 2013

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board,

I have lived in Sullivan County for 30 years and run a business of my own for 18 of those years. Like many of you, I have seen the promise of new business come and go in that time.

I do believe, as I hope you do, that the prospect of a destination resort here in Sullivan County is closer to fruition than it ever has been thanks to EPR and Empire Resorts.

Respectfully, I urge the Town's adoption of the SEQRA findings, PRD Text Amendments, and Comprehensive Development Plan, which will initiate the process for the resort's build out.

I have watched EPR and Empire with a careful eye as they've worked diligently toward their goal to bring this development to life, all the while meeting the aggressive timeline they presented so they can meet the commitments they've made to our community.

Sullivan County desperately needs the jobs, accommodations, and tourism dollars the project will bring. With Town's support this project can get underway this spring. Please support it to ensure our collective success.

Sincerely,

Karen Fisher

Karen Fisher
President
FisherMears Associates, LLC

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1/11/2013

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board,

For many years, I served as a business leader in Sullivan County and was involved in a number of initiatives that led to strong economic development in our local communities. It has become clear that the Town of Thompson Board now has the opportunity to approve a project that will lead to outstanding economic growth in our region, creating jobs and enhancing our tourism industry.

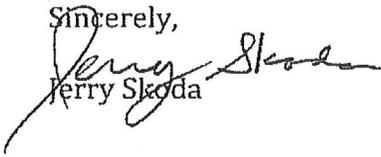
EPR and Empire Resorts have carefully planned a destination resort project that will undoubtedly benefit the residents of our area. These companies and their industry-leading partners have certainly done their due diligence, meeting deadlines and upholding their obligations to our community. On Tuesday, they will seek approvals that will allow them to move forward with their proposed destination resort on the Concord site.

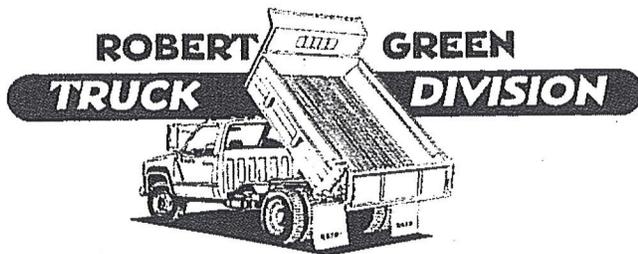
This project would greatly benefit our entire region, bringing an estimated 2,600 permanent jobs to the area, while having an indirect impact of creating an additional 1,200 jobs in Sullivan County as a result of the increased economic activity. In fact, this activity is estimated to be more than \$2.4 billion statewide, including \$676 million in employee compensation.

At its Tuesday meeting, the Board should adopt the SEQRA findings, PRD Text Amendments and Comprehensive Development Plan, allowing EPR and Empire Resorts to continue to make progress toward their ambitious goals. This project is something we desperately need in Sullivan County.

The fact that we're currently in a sluggish economy presents only more reason to move forward with speed on this project. I trust that the Board will make the right choice on Tuesday.

Sincerely,


Jerry Skoda



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January 14, 2013

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board,

As a local business owner, I am writing to affirm my support of the redevelopment of the Concord Resort project being spearheaded by EPR Properties and Empire Resorts.

At its Tuesday meeting, the Town of Thompson Board has a very important decision to make in regards to approving the SEQRA findings, PRD Text Amendments and Comprehensive Development Plan for the project. An approval would allow the project to move forward and let EPR and Empire Resorts continue making progress on this new tourism destination for our community.

The economic benefits provided by this project would be many, including over \$2.4 billion in activity for the state of New York—during these difficult economic times. What's even more impressive is that an estimated \$676 million will go toward employee compensation as part of the nearly 4,000 jobs the project is expected to create either directly or indirectly. Much of that economic activity would be seen here in the Town of Thompson and Sullivan County.

Additionally, like many local governments, our community desperately needs the influx in revenue the resort would create. In addition to more income in property taxes, Thompson and Sullivan County would annually receive about \$1.7 million and \$5.1 million respectively from the state for being the host communities for the video lottery gaming facility. To be frank, this is an opportunity we cannot afford to pass up.

Like many local residents and business owners, I look forward to the Board's decision on Tuesday. It's my sincere hope that you make the right choice for our economic future.

Sincerely,
Robert Green

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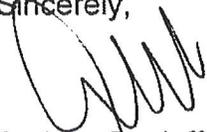
With the master development plan for the EPR Concord Resort coming up for Town Board review this on January 15th, I feel that it is important for the Board to hear from local residents and business owners before making its final decision. In my opinion, and in the opinions of many, many residents of Sullivan County, the proposed construction of a destination resort is something this community greatly needs.

In addition to bringing much-needed jobs and tourist dollars to the area, the resort also stands to create new community infrastructure, including an improved storm water management system and walking and biking trails. The impact on local businesses is projected to be resoundingly positive. By drawing in people from both around and outside of the state, the resort is expected to broaden local businesses' customer bases dramatically.

More practically, the project would generate an estimated \$42.5 million in property taxes, which can help to shore up budget deficits locally. Our local schools would benefit from more than \$29 million of that tax levy, making for a much-needed boost at this time.

With your approval of the environmental impact assessments and text amendments on Tuesday, the long-awaited construction can begin in short order, and with it, Sullivan County's new future will begin to take shape.

Sincerely,



Andrew Pavloff



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August 22, 2012

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board

In 1970, I took over the family wholesale supply business, Schmidt's Wholesale in Monticello and it seems we've been talking about a casino resort coming to Sullivan County ever since. Never has that possibility been closer.

Today, with the EPT Concord Resort project, we have a development team ready to build a world-class destination resort that will revitalize our community and include 1,800 hotel rooms, more than 900,000 square feet of commercial space, a rehabilitated Monster Golf Course, residential units and the relocated Monticello Casino and Raceway, among other entertainment and recreational amenities.

The EPT Concord Resort can help to transform the economic landscape of the region. In addition to direct construction expenditures and over 2,600 full-time equivalent jobs, the project will increase long-term demand for goods and services, creating a more robust local economy and raising the standard of living.

The project's economic impact will include direct expenditures, sales and property tax revenue, small business growth and job creation. Thousands of jobs, good wages, and tourism dollars will pour into our local economy. It will help to revive construction and housing, while increasing demand for many goods and services.

The benefits of this project will positively impact everyone who lives or does business in Sullivan County and the surrounding area. Sullivan's time has come; please do all you can to support this project.

Sincerely,

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Gary Schmidt
Chairman
Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc.

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August 24, 2012

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board

Verticon Ltd. has done many construction projects in Sullivan County over the years and has established itself as a company that is a prime contributor to positive economic projects and one that has a vested interest in the county's future. As a co-president of Verticon, I would like to express our support of the Entertainment Properties Trust (EPT) Concord Resort.

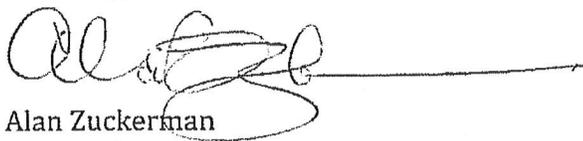
This is a critically important project for Sullivan County, one that will result in desperately needed jobs and bring significant economic growth. It will reignite our tourist industry and bring hundreds of millions of dollars of private capital to Sullivan County and the region.

As a family and entertainment destination, the EPT Concord Resort will attract residents and visitors to the area resulting in transformative economic impact from dollars spent, sales tax revenue and job creation. It will help to combat our nearly 10% unemployment rate in Sullivan County, bringing thousands of sustainable jobs to the region. The project's success will result in increased demand for goods and services, a windfall for local businesses and healthcare providers.

This project holds promise for a brighter future in Sullivan County and represents is an unprecedented opportunity that we must seize.

On behalf of Verticon Ltd., I urge your support the EPT Concord Resort.

Sincerely,



Alan Zuckerman
Principal
Verticon Ltd.



August 24, 2012

Honorable Anthony Cellini and
Members of the Town of Thompson Board

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board,

The Ruby Group, which offers many project management, general contracting and consulting services that involve both commercial and residential projects, recognizes the critical importance of Entertainment Properties Trust's Concord Resort project. I am writing to urge the Board's support of this project.

The EPT Concord Resort can help to transform the economic landscape of the region. It will bring thousands of jobs, good wages and revive the lagging Sullivan County tourist economy. It will create demand for goods and services, as well as construction and housing. The project leverages hundreds of millions of dollars of private investment and cross regional partnerships to chart a new path for prosperity.

As a family and entertainment destination, the EPT Concord Resort will attract residents and visitors to the area which will result in transformative economic impact from direct expenditures, sales tax revenue and job creation. It will help reduce Sullivan County's high unemployment rate by creating thousands of sustainable jobs and opportunity for growth in small businesses such as ours, which has done many projects in Sullivan County. In addition to direct construction expenditures, the project will increase long-term demand for goods and services, creating a more robust local economy and raising the standard of living.

The benefits of this project will positively impact everyone who lives or does business in Sullivan County and the surrounding area, that's why I urge your support of the EPT Concord Resort.

Sincerely,

Peter Berman, CEO



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August 24, 2012

Supervisor Anthony Cellini
Mr. Richard Sush
Mr. Scott Mace
Mr. Peter Briggs
Ms. Sharon Jankiewicz

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Members of the Town Board,

I believe the EPT Concord Resort is an unprecedented economic opportunity for Sullivan County and one that will have quite a ripple effect, with benefits trickling down through the local economy to businesses small and large... businesses such as mine, Misner Benefits.

Hundreds of millions of dollars of private investment and thousands of desperately needed jobs are associated with this project. It will further the development of our tourism industry, create thousands of jobs and offer enormous opportunity for local businesses.

A destination resort of this scope can be transformative for the region. The project is planned to include 1,800 hotel rooms, more than 900,000 sf of commercial space, over 696 acres of open space, a rehabilitated Monster Golf Course, varied entertainment and recreational uses, and nearly 900 new residential units. When combined with successful projects like the Monticello Motor Club, and Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, Sullivan County will be poised to regain its reputation as one of the premier tourist destinations in the northeast.

I hope you agree that projects such as the EPT Concord Resort can help reverse years of rising unemployment, property taxes and economic hardship, putting our economy on the path to prosperity.

Sincerely,

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Russ Heyman
Managing Member
Misner Benefits, LLC

June 8, 2014

Ms. Gall P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
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Re: EPR Properties Resort Destination Casino Project

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Carol A. Gaiman
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Monticello, NY 12701

Luca Spensieri
PO Box 422
Goshen NY 10924

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
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NY State Gaming Commission
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June 12-2014

CASINO IN ORANGE OR SULLIVAN

It will be a shame and complete lack of genial planning if Albany capitulates to political pressure and selective interest groups. Sullivan Co. not Orange has the land, space and natural set-up to host the ENTERTAINMENT CITY OF THE EAST. Not 2 Casinos, but all 4 should be built there. Scattering these projects around will miss the grant plan and attract gamblers only. All Casinos in Sullivan Co. instead, such as the 2 at the Concord in Monticello and the one at the Grossinger in Liberty, will attract the entire family. These are FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS not just Casinos. They built "Casinos" in Atlantic in City. None is making money. They forgot to entertain the families. The Concord and Grossinger's Projects instead, provide all of that. Golfing, Water Park, Sports Fields, Shopping, Catering, Performance Theaters, Movie Theaters, Hiking, Hunting, Fishing and the beautiful, abundant landscape of the true Catskill Region. Orange Co. does not have the landscape and space to create such an entertainment and futuristic City. Such an ENTERTAINMENT CITY IN SULLIVAN CO would become a major touristic attraction for everybody's enjoyment. It would promote healthy and varied business growth in the region and attract scores of small and big investors from NYC, where real estate and density is so expensive and saturated. Many are already looking to Sullivan Co. and anxiously waiting for this master project to take off. Only in Sullivan Co. this FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT DREAM CITY can be built. Should they build these casinos in Orange County, the State of NY will have missed a unique opportunity to create something truly BIG, FUTURISTIC AND SPECTACULAR for everyone to enjoy, not just the gamblers.

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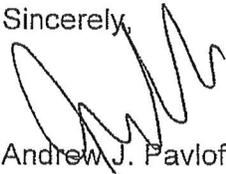
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As a local business owner, with the EPT Concord Resort, I believe we finally have a project for the former Concord site which can be successful.

It will become a cornerstone of regional tourism, leveraging the region's outstanding natural resources and helping create significant economic growth. It will bring the former site of a famed Catskills resort back to life and encourage private investment and growth in other industries, such as financial and professional services, as well as construction, hospitality, food and beverage, housing and more.

I believe the EPT Concord Resort project will drive economic opportunity and foster job creation throughout the region. It is expected to support more than 2,600 permanent full-time equivalent jobs, providing our community with sustainable long term employment and giving our young professionals career opportunities close to home. To combat Sullivan County's high unemployment and shuttered businesses calls for big ideas and this project is poised to deliver for Sullivan County.

Sincerely,



Andrew J. Pavloff, CPA

Knack, Pavloff & Company, LLP

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08/27/12

Town of Thompson
Mr. Anthony Cellini
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Re: EPT Concord Resort Project

Dear Mr. Cellini:

I write this letter in support of the proposed EPT Concord Resort Project which has much to offer for needed economic development in Sullivan County. The project is estimated to create 2,600 full-time jobs and generate \$42.5MM in new property tax income. This project could help revitalize the county with 1,800 new hotel rooms, 900,000 s.f. of commercial space and will likely become a destination for tourists and residents. My hope is that this project becomes a catalyst to spur other development around the county. Please support this important development.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'George Kinne'.

George Kinne
SVP/Senior Loan Officer
The First National Bank of Jeffersonville



August 27, 2012

Supervisor Anthony Cellini and Town of Thompson Board
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

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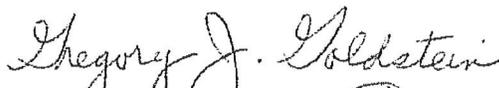
It is with great enthusiasm that I write to convey my strong support for the EPT Concord Resort project. As an actively involved business owner and resident, I am significantly invested in the interest of our County's future.

The project will be a critical and purposeful step toward our county and region's strategic growth objectives. It is one of the most advantageous opportunities we've had over the last few years to initiate strong momentum and growth as we work towards making our area more attractive for capital investors, tourists and residents.

I look forward to the creation of the expected 2,600 full-time equivalent jobs, in addition to the nearly \$2.4 billion of prospective economic activity in the State. This project not only represents a new cornerstone of economic development for our County, but a chance for the renowned Concord site to become a landmark in our region once again.

The opportunity to take a bold step forward to making Sullivan County a world-class destination should not be lost.

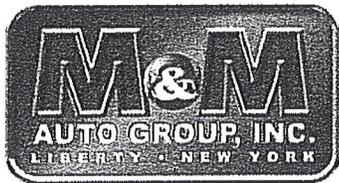
Sincerely,


Gregory J. Goldstein

President
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August 27, 2012

Supervisor Anthony Cellini
and Town of Thompson Board
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Dear Supervisor Cellini and Town of Thompson Board,

RE: EPT/Concord Resort Project

On behalf of M&M Auto Group, myself and my family, please accept this letter as support for the EPT Concord Resort project. As an involved business owner and resident, there is nothing more that I would like to see for Sullivan County and the world-famous Concord site.

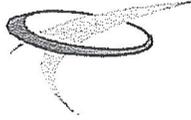
It has been a long time coming and now with the help of the EPT Concord Resort project we can start to re-create the Catskills. Not only will the project create more than 2,600 full-time equivalent jobs, it will also generate \$42.5M in property tax, with more than \$29M of that going to the school district. The project will help revitalize our community by creating 1,800 hotel rooms, more than 900,000 square foot of commercial space for local and national businesses and will provide entertainment and recreational uses for residents and tourists alike.

If Sullivan County is to reach its potential, we must continue to invest in those things that our region needs to become great and I believe the EPT Concord Resort project can help us exceed our potential.

Thank you all for your continued support for this project.

Best regards,

Howard Braunstein
CEO
M&M Auto Group



BAEZ ASSOCIATES

August 27, 2012

Hon. Anthony P. Cellini, Supervisor
& Town of Thompson Trustees
Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Re: EPT/Concord Resort Project

Dear Supervisor Cellini:

I am writing this letter as a business owner in the Town to express my support for the proposed Entertainment Properties Trust Concord development. I have been involved in Economic Development in varying capacities for over 23 years. The majority of that time spent in Sullivan County as a practitioner, administrator, and now a consultant. I have worked on many projects in many locations throughout the county of differing scale. Yet no project to date has had the potential positive impact that this project will have. It has been well known that a project of significant scale will be needed in order to create a critical mass of activity that can provide broad based opportunities for Sullivan County residents, service providers and businesses alike. The EPT project clearly will create this critical mass.

From the construction costs exceeding \$600 million, the creation of over 600 jobs, the reintroduction of 1,800 desperately needed hotel rooms and annual payroll, to the 900,000 sq ft of commercial space proposed, the EPT project will not only have immediate positive economic impacts, but also will induce positive economic activity from throughout the region. Moreover, the adaptive reuse of formerly developed space and the improvement of neglected infrastructure, coupled with environmental sensitivity in its design is an added benefit from an environmental impact perspective.

Finally, as tourism has always been a strength of the Catskills, EPT's proposed development plan will surely encourage entertainment and recreational use while creating centers of activity that will benefit the Town and County for years to come. As you insure that the firm addresses each environmental component, be assured that small businesses like mine welcome the activity and wholeheartedly support the project. I look forward to its expeditious approval and completion.

Sincerely,

Marc A. Bacz, President

A NOTE FROM:
Mrs. Angela
Daley

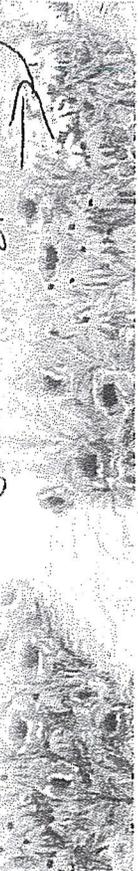
06/12/14

Ms. Paul P. Thompson
NY State Gaming Commission

Dear Ms. Thompson,
We are proudly in support of
a local gaming casino here in
Bulllevin City.

It would mean jobs, tax
revenue and a further revitalization
of our country.

We are parents, taxpayers, local
business people and involved
citizens of our community.
Please be sure Bulllevin County's Two Best
receives at least one gaming license. Thank You, Grandly! Angela Daley



6/10/2014/

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,
I SAW YOU AD IN THE SULLIVAN COUNTY
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SINCERELY,
DOTTIE ALBERT

P.S. LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU, ANSWER THIS
LETTER WHEN YOU GET THE TIME & THE
CHANCE TO ANSWER MY LETTER, THANK YOU.

June 8, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
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Schenectady, NY 12301 - 7500

Re: EPR Properties Resort Destination Casino Project

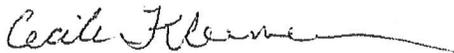
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Sincerely,



Cecile Klemen
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June 19, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

I am in full support of the EPR Properties and Empire Resorts' casino resort project. I am endorsing its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The \$750 million project is positioned to become a great force for economic improvement, job creation and community engagement. A four-star resort and gaming destination, the project is sure to attract a wide variety of visitors from across this region of the U.S and possibly nationally and internationally. The resort will be built on a 1,700-acre site in the Catskills, one of the most accessible and striking areas of New York State. It has been designed to offer a diverse array of experiences, including both indoor and outdoor recreational activities along with offerings of fine dining, shopping and gaming.

The economic impact of the resort will be tremendous. The sheer size of the effort will make it necessary to employ a large number of contractors and workers — about 2,550 total — and generating a total of about \$150 million in pay. Once complete, the project will continue to support the community due to the creation of about 2,200 permanent positions, generating \$60 million annually in compensation for its employees.

There are also potential future job opportunities in place for young people of the Hudson Valley region. EPR Properties/Empire Resorts has already voiced their intentions of partnering with local educational institutions and related organizations in order to offer job placements and training programs for their workforce. This means that great young minds will be motivated to stay in our area, and benefit our communities, rather than feeling as if they have to leave the area in order to make a living or support their own endeavors.

However, the economic benefits to the Hudson Valley are not limited to the employment opportunities the resort will provide. With so many tourists coming to stay at the project's hotels and other hotels in the region, many local businesses are also sure to benefit, and are likely to see an increase in patronage, sales and income due to the increased population. In fact, one of the project's chief goals is to bring more business to the entire region to improve the overall economic health of our local communities. This not only includes attracting tourists and consumers, but also by partnering with local companies and business owners to satisfy the vendor needs of the resort.

It is easy to see the importance of this project, and how much it can offer our local communities. I ask you to please support this new development, as it is the first step in improving the quality of life for the people in this region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael J. DiTullo", with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Michael J. DiTullo
President & CEO

June 14, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301 - 7500

Re: Empire Resort Destination Casino Project

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Pat Abbott
148 Ahrens Rd.
Parkville N.Y. 12768

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Sincerely,

Sharon Mungeer
Sharon Mungeer
98 Doughty Rd. PO Box 325
Parksville, NY 12768

Our support for a Sullivan County Casino was in favor of the Foxwoods site but unfortunately they have decided to withdraw their application due to the late project applications of Orange County. I feel that New York State is only interested in the amount of money that a casino will bring in. Orange County already benefits from Sullivan County as we have no other place to shop. Although we try to shop locally the only big store we have is Walmart. Most Sullivan County residents spend their money in Orange County or in Honesdale, PA. Please help us to bring casinos and the income they provide.

SPENCER DANIELS AGENCY

A CUTTING EDGE EVENT SERVICES COMPANY

June 23, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301 - 7500

Re: Empire Resorts/EPR Properties - Resort Destination Casino Project

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

As a Sullivan County (resident/Business) (living/operating) in Sullivan County for 55 years, I was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. The promise of critically needed investment, jobs, and the ancillary economic impacts that will result, makes Adelaar/Empire Resorts, Resort Destination Casino Project the right choice for a New York gaming license.

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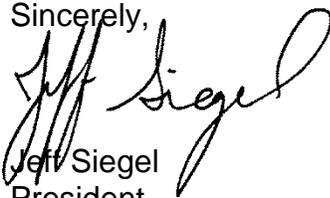
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Empire Resorts/EPR Properties is estimated to generate significant economic activity for the region, including 2,550 construction jobs. It is estimated that approximately 2,200 full and part time workers will be employed, with expected annual compensation of more than \$60 million. This will not be a standalone casino operation focused solely on a single boutique hotel project. Rather, it will be truly a destination incorporating the best of a menu of modern day activities and attractions, all working in concert to provide a world class experience second to none. The vision and expertise behind the project underscores the spirit of the Upstate Gaming Legislation by providing for expansive ancillary investment and direct revenue to New York State and our localities. This one project will successfully address the States criteria of **'highest impact and best value'** by positively affecting businesses and citizens not only from Sullivan County, but also from throughout the region and well into further outlying areas. Thank you for your consideration of this most critical application. I look forward to your favorable decision positively impacting Sullivan County, where the jobs are needed most.

Respectfully submitted,

Sincerely,



Jeff Siegel
President

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Josh Sommers
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10 Matthews St.
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May 23, 2014

Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York State Gaming Commission
Contracts Office
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

My business helps businesses in Sullivan County and the entire Hudson Valley every day. We understand economic development projects and recognize ones that make a difference. There's an exceptionally exciting project that's sure to bring some significant economic benefits to the Catskills region and the Hudson Valley. This project is the new Empire Resorts and EPR Properties resort, and tourists and local residents alike are already buzzing with excitement about the many entertainment options it will bring to the community. So I am offering my support for its selection as one of the four approved casino projects in the state.

The construction of the resort itself is quite an advantage for the region, as more than 2,500 jobs will be created during the process and it will be fully constructed through union labor. After the project is completed, there will be more than 2,200 permanent positions created for various jobs throughout the entire resort. This means a brand-new \$60 million in employee compensation offered to area workers, putting money right back into the community's pockets.

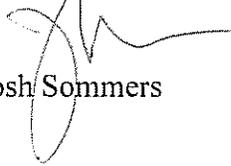
The resort will be a 1,700-acre entertainment destination packed with some state-of-the-art amenities and more than 1,100 hotel rooms. It features a 255,000-square-foot entertainment village, including must-see attractions like a casino, restaurants, shopping, bars, theatre and more. There will be an 18-hole golf course built by one of the most renowned course designers in the world, Rees Jones. Best of all, the resort celebrates the great outdoors with its wide range of activities like hiking, biking, canoeing, kayaking, hunting and fishing.

With the drastically increased number of tourists the resort is expected to draw, the other existing businesses in the surrounding Hudson Valley area are sure to see a positive impact, as well. The

resort's leadership team has made economic development for the entire community a priority by choosing to establish partnerships with key local organizations and businesses, and with the Aquatic Development Group. EPR Properties and Empire Resorts have also partnered with local colleges to create training programs to ensure that there will be reliable jobs with advancement opportunities available to recent college grads.

As an owner of a company that does significant business in Sullivan County, I ask you to support this project as well for the sake of the Sullivan County and the Hudson Valley.

Sincerely,



Josh Sommers



New York Hotel and Motel Trades Council, AFL-CIO • 707 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10036 • Telephone: (212) 245-8100 • Fax: (212) 977-5714

June 24th, 2014

Gail P. Thorpe
New York State Gaming Commission
One Broadway Center
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

The New York Hotel Trades Council ("HTC") is the union of hotel, hospitality and gaming workers in New York and Northern New Jersey. HTC represents over 35,000 non-managerial employees. Our union also currently represents approximately 100 workers at the Monticello Casino and Raceway.

Monticello Casino and Raceway's parent company, Empire Resorts ("Empire"), has plans to develop a new casino hotel at the site of the former Concord Resort located in Sullivan County, NY. Their plans will bring new energy to a depressed region of New York State by creating dependable local union employment, while delivering significant economic benefits for local businesses, and consequently will have an important and positive impact on tourism in upstate New York.

Empire's wholly owned subsidiary Monticello Raceway Management, Inc. ("MRMI"), has signed a Labor Peace Agreement with HTC for its new project. Empire also has an existing five year Collective Bargaining Agreement for HTC members employed at its existing Monticello Casino and Raceway, which includes annual salary increases, sets wages for new hires and addresses health benefits.

These agreements between the HTC and Empire Resorts are important milestones for the New York State Facility Location Board to consider as it makes a determination concerning issuing a casino license in Region 1. HTC is mindful that this project's progress represents a significant prospect of hundreds of desperately-needed, well-paying union jobs with benefits for Sullivan County, and the entire upstate New York region.

Empire is not only a current strong union partner, but a strong community partner, committed to creating good union jobs in a region that desperately needs them.

Sincerely,

Peter Ward
President, New York Hotel Trades Council



Ms. Gail P. Thorpe
Supervisor of Contract Administration
New York Gaming Commission
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Respectfully submitted,
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Re: Empire Resorts/EPR Properties - Resort Destination Casino Project

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As a Sullivan County resident living in Sullivan County for 46 years, I was relieved when the proposition #1 passed which gave us hope that opportunities in Sullivan County were eminent. The promise of critically needed investment, jobs, and the ancillary economic impacts that will result, makes Adelaar/Empire Resorts, Resort Destination Casino Project the right choice for a New York gaming license.

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Re: Empire Resorts/EPR Properties – Resort Destination Casino Project

Dear Ms. Thorpe:

As a Sullivan County Resident and Businessperson living in Sullivan County for 8 years, I was thrilled when Proposition #1 passed. It gave me hope that new economic opportunities in the County I relocated to were on their way. The promise of critically needed investment, jobs, as well as the ancillary economic impacts that will result, make Adelaar/Empire Resorts Destination Casino the right choice for a New York gaming license.

The proposed \$750 million Adelaar/Empire Resorts 4-Season Destination Casino Project meets or exceeds the criteria under which the Upstate New York Gaming Economic Development ACT of 2013 was constituted. Empire Resorts/EPR Properties has been an integral part of our community for a long time and have been working on seeing this project come to fruition for many years. They have worked to ensure all State Environmental approvals and local concerns have been addressed including zoning, master development and environmental approvals for the destination resort, as well as site plan, infrastructure and permits to commence and complete the state of the art casino and resort core, indoor water park hotel, and renovation of the 18 Hole Monster Golf Course. It is certainly no surprise that this project has garnered broad support from local and regional leaders, businesses, non-profits, municipal bodies and citizens alike.

The economic impact from this project for our County will be a game changer for us. It is estimated to generate 2,550 construction jobs, 2,200 full and part time jobs with expected annual compensation of \$60 Million. This project is truly a destination resort and is not solely focused on gaming. It will incorporate the best of modern day activities and attractions and provide a world class experience that will be second to none. The vision and expertise behind the project underscores the spirit of the Upstate Gaming Legislation by providing for expansive ancillary investment and direct revenue to New York State and our localities. This one project will successfully address the State criteria of "highest impact and best value" by positively affecting businesses and citizens not only from Sullivan County but also from throughout the region and well into further outlying areas. Thank you for your consideration of this most critical application. I look forward to your favorable decision positively impacting Sullivan County, where the jobs are needed most.

Respectfully Submitted,

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