April 10, 2014

New York State Gaming Commission
P.O. Box 7500
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

To Whom It May Concern,

The Village of Hancock supports the award of a casino license by the New York State Gaming Commission to nearby Broome County. Enclosed is Village Resolution 9-2014 entitled Resolution of Support for a Casino in Broome County.

As you know, the Southern Tier’s economy continues to struggle following the departure of thousands of jobs over the past 30 years. Transforming our region into a destination location will help reverse this trend and promote the Southern Tier as a vibrant and thriving contributor to the Upstate economy. It is the Village of Hancock’s hope that the destination resort/casino would also have a positive impact on hundreds of local retailers, gas stations, restaurants, hotels and attractions.

Your consideration would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

John Martin
Mayor
RESOLUTION 9 - 2014
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A CASINO IN BROOME COUNTY

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of New York overwhelmingly voted in the affirmative to amend 9 of Article 1 of the Constitution to allow the authorization for up to seven Class III casinos in New York State, and

WHEREAS, the Governor announced that the first four casinos will be built in Upstate New York, including at least one in Region 5, which included Broome County, and

WHEREAS, it is projected that the construction of these Class III casinos will promote significant job growth, increase aid to schools, and permit local governments to lower property taxes through revenues generated for the host communities and counties within the region, which will benefit the Village of Hancock in the event that a Broome County Site is selected, now, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that in furtherance of the above goals, the Village of Hancock Board of Trustees hereby declares its support for awarding a casino license to a destination resort in Broome County, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the New York State Gaming Commission, Governor Andrew Cuomo, and appropriate state elected officials.

UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor John Martin yes
Deputy Mayor Alice Hartz absent
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt absent
Trustee Patrick O’Brien yes
Trustee William Schoonmaker yes

Vote: Resolution carried by a vote of 3 to 0.

I, Phyllis Falsetta, Village Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Hancock, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Hancock at a meeting of said Board held April 8, 2014.

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer