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

Dear Sir,

The Village of Nichols has passed a resolution in support of Tioga Downs Racetrack, LLC obtaining a full gaming facility license. Awarding Tioga Downs a full gaming facility license will bring much needed revenue in the form of taxes, employment, both direct and indirect, not only to Tioga County but to the Town of Nichols and the Village of Nichols .

Tioga Downs has been an exceptional neighbor. They were there when we needed them during the flooding of 2006 and again in 2011. They supplied water, cleaning supplies and when the Village did not have the equipment or manpower they picked up the debris from the houses in the Village that had water damage.

A member of the Tioga Downs management team is also on our emergency preparedness committee and has worked with us in preparation of Super Storm Sandy which fortunately did not affect the Village. Tioga Downs has also offered to purchase and house a computer that will allow the Village and Town to get real time readings from river gauges in order to better prepare our residents for possible flooding.

The Village of Nichols is proud to have Tioga Downs as our neighbor, and with a full gaming facility license we look forward to many years of working together to enhance our community and to have a tourist destination that will bring much needed revenue to the area.

Enclosed please find our resolution in support of Tioga Downs Racetrack, LLC obtaining a full gaming facility license.

Sincerely,



Lesley L Pelotte
Mayor, Village of Nichols New York

Enc:



RESOLUTION NO. 2013-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF NICHOLS NEW YORK IN SUPPORT OF TIOGA DOWNS FOR SELECTION AS EASTERN SOUTHERN TIER REGION CASINO GAMING LICENSE AWARDEE

WHEREAS: In November 2013, New York State voters approved a constitutional amendment to allow casino gaming in New York State; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County voters showed overwhelming support of said constitutional amendment with 69.2% of voters in favor; and

WHEREAS: Tioga Downs has already proven to be a valued community partner by way of job creation, capital investment and revenue generated; and

WHEREAS: Tioga Downs owner has also shown experience in the gaming industry, not only at the existing facility in Tioga County but also in other facilities across the state ; and

WHEREAS: in anticipation of the passing of the Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act, Tioga Downs has made substantial improvements to their already existing facility located in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: the Tioga Downs existing facility is centrally located within the identified Eastern Southern Tier Region to best serve all residents of the region; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Village of Nichols New York pass this resolution in support of Tioga Downs being awarded the Eastern Southern Tier Region Gaming License.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 16th day of December, 2013 by the following vote:

Mayor: Lesley Pelotte Aye Nay _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

Trustee: Marie Pierson Aye Nay _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

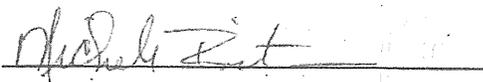
Trustee: Ted Dydynski Aye Nay _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

Trustee: Lynn Richter Aye Nay _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

Trustee: Dave Hazard Aye Nay _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____



Mayor, Village of Nichols New York



Clerk, Village of Nichols New York