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Senate of Pennsylvania

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Gregory C. Fajt, Chairman
Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
303 Walnut Street
5th Floor, Verizon Tower
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112

RE: News Report on Exclusion List

Dear Chairman Fajt,

I am writing to voice serious concerns regarding the recent story run by Fox 29 News (Philadelphia) indicating that there are currently only four individuals on the exclusion list maintained by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board.

Being that I worked hard on the adoption of reforms to prohibit felons from being licensed as a principal or key employee and require the disclosure and consideration of all convictions, expungements and ARD's I have some concerns. In the report some well known felons, who are on New Jersey's exclusion list are mentioned and that they are not on the Board's exclusion list. The response from the Board's representatives are as follows: the Board's exclusion list is only two years old (compared to 30 years for New Jersey), that the individuals on the New Jersey list have not been seen in Pennsylvania Casinos, and it would be hard to add individuals from other jurisdictions exclusion lists without due process.

The exclusion list is to protect the integrity of gaming in Pennsylvania, protect taxpayers, and prevent the criminal element from getting a foothold in the casinos. It should not matter how long our law has been in place or whether an individual has not been found in a Pennsylvania casino. I would greatly appreciate an explanation as to how the Board has come to this position, whether any jurisdiction allows for the reciprocal exclusion of individuals, what type of monitoring or contact does the Board have with other jurisdictions regarding exclusion lists, and do you provide casinos with the exclusion lists from other jurisdiction - so that if someone shows up they at least know who they are dealing with and notify the board that a known criminal is now at our casinos.

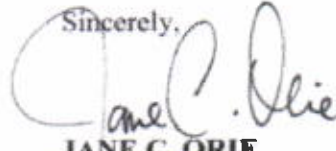
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I would appreciate a timely response regarding this matter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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