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I am a recent graduate of Gettysburg Area High school and I am opposed to a casino being built near Gettysburg. Gettysburg is a historical landmark where Americans fought and died for what they believed in. Its grounds are sacred, made so by the blood of many soldiers. It is a place thousands of people visit every year in order to learn about this country's history and honor the memory of the brave soldiers and the townspeople that cared for them after the battle. A casino will do much more to harm Gettysburg than it will to help. Proponents have indicated they have no intention of exploiting the name of Gettysburg. But they already have and will. Gettysburg will become known as the casino town rather than a sacred space. The town of Gettysburg has always been a safe place to live where people have felt safe even at night. Research shows that having a casino increases the crime rate and thus building one in Gettysburg will bring an end to that sense of security. Casino supporters claim that a windfall of money will come to Gettysburg; however, little of the revenue will be returned to our community and wages will still be low. Therefore, I encourage the Pennsylvania Garning Control Board to DENY Crossroads Gaming and Chance Enterprises a license for a slot casino in Gettysburg.

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May 27, 2006

As Memorial Day approaches activities, a parade and service at the National Cemetery which includes the laying of wreaths, taps and music are being planned. Following the service flowers will be placed, by the children, on the graves of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. These images, again, will reflect the uniqueness of Gettysburg and its world renown place in the history of our nation. Gettysburg is truly a National Treasure and should always be remembered as such. I wish you could experience this, then you would "know" that a casino in Gettysburg would forever tarnish its image.

I attended all the hearings before the Gettysburg Borough and the Pennsylvania Gaming Board and I know that you've heard many and varied heartfelt

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You have a heavy burden and have been authorized to make a decision in the best interest of gaming in Pennsylvania. I pray that you will have the wisdom not to be swayed by the proponents of this venture, but will do what is best for our heritage and state.

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Organization, if any:

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U.S. Department of Interior

COMMENTS: (Please use second page if more space is required)

NO CASINO! Please do not award a license for slot operations in Straban Township. The proposed Crossroads Gaming facility would be developed about one mile from my home in Gettysburg. I fear that the casino will place demands on the small town infrastructure and services that will adversely impact the lifestyle that residents of Gettysburg currently possess. The casino will inevitably change the culture of the community and we will loose the small town charm that Gettysburg is known for around the world. I am concerned that the types of crimes and problems that cities like Baltimore, Washington DC and Philadelphia experience will be drawn to Gettysburg and ultimately effect the citizens who call this town home. Currently, we live in a town of low crime – this is certain to change with the establishment of a casino.

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Straban Township. As a homeowner, taxpayer, parent, and resident in Gettysburg, I believe that the potential impacts of the casino far outweigh any potential benefits. I do not believe that anyone can guarantee that the characteristics and qualities which make Gettysburg a wonderful place to live and raise a family can be protected if a casino is developed in this small town.

I believe that there will be negative impacts to the heritage tourism which is drawn nation-wide to visit and learn about the one of the most important historical events in American history. The concept of a gaming casino is unbefitting the respect and reverence due to some of the most hallowed ground in this country.

I assume that liquor licenses will also be issue to the Crossroads Gaming facility. Drinking and driving continue to be serious social and legal problems in this country. I have young children who are growing up in Gettysburg. I do not want to increase the odds of my children being injured or killed by a drunk driver since we live only about one mile from the proposed gaming facility which will be serving alcohol to large numbers of guests.

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Sincerely,

Bianca C. Santucci

I, Bianca C. Santucci verify that the information contained in this written comment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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I am a Gettysburg native living in the Philadelphia area. When I first learned about the possibility of a casino in Gettysburg I was indifferent. In fact I had never been to a casino so I didn't know what all the fuss was about. Since that time I've spent a day in Atlantic City, NJ.

I don't want to offend anybody who has fond memories of Atlantic City. Maybe the place has changed over time. All I know is my own experience and my experience in Atlantic City on a frigid afternoon last February was a sad and disturbing.

The place is practically a graveyard. Blank, miserable faces stare at bright machines all day long, hoping upon hope to strike it rich, spending money that should not be spent. I remember seeing one woman looking very tired and sad, mechanically punching buttons across three machines. She did not wait to read the display between plays, but continued punching the odds, which, or course, were very much against her. She looked very poor.

One encounter I had at Caesar's Palace left a huge impression on me. I was standing at the urinal when a big fat man came up beside me and started babbling to himself, and then to me. He appeared to be on some kind of drug – either that or he was riding an adrenaline high, a distinct possibility given the story he told me.

He'd been robbed at gunpoint. It happened in almost that exact spot, in that exact bathroom, just six hours earlier. After a long night of playing, he was on top by \$9800. (I doubt if his long-term earnings are as impressive.) Noticing that it was getting a bit late at 6:00 am, he decided to cash out. After cashing out he went to the bathroom to relieve himself before heading home. According to him, three men followed him into the bathroom and robbed him at gunpoint. They took everything he had plus more.

I cannot say whether the story is absolutely true or not. It could be an exaggeration or an outright lie. I can say the story had an emotional truth. It read separately upon his face.

Nightmare stories like this are among thousands in Atlantic City. I know that one slot parlor in Gettysburg will never sustain such crime or suffering. But I do not think that it will be totally harmless in this regard.

Ultimately we must ask ourselves why we value this little town and how the proposed casino might influence the atmosphere. With Atlantic City it was the atmosphere more than the particulars of the situation that made me feel uneasy. I have lived in Gettysburg all my life and I love it more than words can tell. But I don't love it for the activity on rt. 30 \*\*Last. I love it for its people, its history, and its intense beauty. These are aspects of the town which stand to gain very little, if anything, from the presence of a casino.

The opposition may say that money talks and that the community stands to benefit economically from a casino. Well, I say that something in this town talks louder than money. And I believe that the so-called economic benefits are questionable.

I say we leave the casinos in Atlantic City!

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Name: VINCENT L. SANTUCCI

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U.S. Department of Interior

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I chose to live, buy a home, and raise my family in Gettysburg for the values and characters it sustains. I would not want to raise my family in Baltimore or some other towns which are not able to control the drugs, alcohol abuse, and other crimes. I think that a gaming facility in Gettysburg will bring problems that the town would otherwise not need to deal with on a regular basis.

What I have seen of politics during the past few years in Pennsylvania, I have come to not trust the state government and the Governor of PA. I do not trust that the best interests of Gettsyburg or the majority of our citizens are being considered relative to this proposed gaming establishment proposed by Chance Enterprises.

Please do not award a license for slot operations in Straban Township. There are probably many other areas which may better be served by a casino than Gettysburg. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Vincent I. Santucci

I, Vincent L. Santucci verify that the information contained in this written comment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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I have been a resident of Cumberland Township, Adams County, for 14 years and have worked as a Licensed Battlefield Guide at the Gettysburg National Military Park for the past 11 years.

I enjoy my job as a Guide because I have the opportunity to share my knowledge and love of American History with a large crosssection of my fellow citizens as well as foreign visitors. I also invite the tourists to ask questions — which many do — such as, "Why did Lee order Pickett to make that terrible charge?", and more recently, Talvery difficult questions — "Why are you letting them put a Casino on these sacred grounds?" My only response is that I first learned of a Casino coming to Gettysburg when I read about it in the local newspaper about a year ago, and the final decision is entirely up to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. Therefore, my request to you is to seriously consider denying Chance Enterprises their request for a gambling license in Gettysburg and keep this historic jewel from being tainted.

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<u>Please consider the consequences of promoting any slot machine facility in Pennsylvania — they are detrimental to all forms of family and social health.</u>

We especially ask you to keep slot machines away from Adams County, our family's home.

Some of our extended families live in Connecticut and Missouri. They have experienced the negative impacts of slot machine facilities, river boat gambling and casinos on their neighborhoods. Prostitution, drug dealing, aggressive and violent criminal activity, serious depression issues, increased social services expenses, destroyed families, and reduced property values have affected their neighborhoods as a direct result of the gambling establishments.

We view gambling, in all forms, as a selfish and destructive behavior. Those seeking to profit from the industry (and this means any of you so involved) are especially responsible as investors' greed drives individuals to make money off of others' weaknesses.

We do not want a slot machine facility in Gettysburg or Adams County or in Pennsylvania. There is a heritage and history here that is an important part of this country's history and greatness; a gambling facility will add nothing to our heritage, but instead, will degrade our area's value and reduce the nation's respect of our county. PLEASE do not allow a namblina facility — slot machine

27 May 2006 ·

Mr. Kenneth T. McCabe Pennsylvania Garning Control Board PO Box 69060 | Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

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Dear Mr. McCabe,

It is with great sadness that I've watched the division within our community since the Chance Group announced plans to bring a casino to Gettysburg. This division has included death threats, bribery to support the cause, theft of advertising materials, splits in families and many altercations reaching a serious level.

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I, Lita Baker verify that the information contained in this written comment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Deceptails Descendants Association. We respectfully request that you note NO for the Chance Enterprises slots Application for the Crossroads Cains slo parlor in Gethysture, PA.

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We are direct descendants of the men who had their Baptism By Fire at Gittysturg. Like all of the men who loved their baptism by Fire at Gittysturg.

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27 May 2006

Ms. Mary DiGiacomo Colins Perinsylvania Garning Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

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Sincerely,

Sheryl Snyder

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I have been a sexuality education teacher in Gettysburg and Hanover for 22 years. I am the mother of 5 grown children. It is difficult for young people to grow up today with so many enticements that can negatively affect their future – drugs, alcohol, unmarried sex. A slot casin in Gettysburg would add one more addictive trap that could cause them difficulty in their growing up years.

COMMENTS: (Please use second page if more space is required)

My husband and I moved to Gettysburg 25 years ago because of the family and small town atmosphere. We both grew up outside of Philadelphia and we wanted our children to group in an area that would somewhat shield them. As our children played sports and traveled to the wider community, we have noticed that truly Gettysburg has protected our children. My husband, my children, and I have been active volunteers over the years and have been valuable members of the Gettysburg community. We would not have moved here 25 years ago if there was a casino.

Gettysburg's small town atmosphere needs to be preserved so that the many families the visit us each year can experience what Gettysburg was like 143 years ago — a small town community that nursed the injured and buried the dead. It is a close knit family town. A casino would change that. Therefore, I encourage the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board to DENY Crossroads Gaming and Chance Enterprises a license for a slot casino in Gettysburg.

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\_\_\_\_I was born and raised in Gettysburg. I graduated from Gettysburg Area High School in 2003. I believe that individuals have the right to choose to gamble or not, no matter what I fee about gambling itself. However, I don't believe it is in the interest of the Gettysburg area to he such an institution so near to our small town and this historic landmark.

First, I'm currently a senior at Villanova University and I've seen fellow students not only lose money gambling in informal poker tournaments but neglect their studies. I am worri about the frequency in which Gettysburg College students will visit a Casino. Many of these students are leaving their hometowns for the first time and learning about independent living. The Casino could affect their collegiate success.

Second, I do not see the Casino as bringing important investment into the area. Adams County has amazingly low unemployment rates, not only in comparison to other areas, but in cown right. I think a better investment would emphasize the charm and history of our town.

Therefore, I encourage the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board to DENY Crossroads

# WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS ON CROSS ROADS GAMING; Chance ENTERPRISES,

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Memorial Day and a great parade; Fourth of July and re-enactors; Remembrance Day and the opportunity to hear again the wonderful words of Abraham Lincoln in the Gettysburg Address--THIS is what Gettysburg is all about!

During this past year I've had the opportunity to talk with many tourists from all over the world--many are repeat visitors interest in history and the Civil War in particular; some are looking for information about a family member who foughthere; and others are here simply because this is a "family place"--they stay downtown or at one of the campgrounds--but it is a place where they can have family fun time together and also offer their children the opportunity to learn first hand about one of our country's most important moments in history!

And they are horrified to think that there is a possibility a casino will become a part of this sacred place -- many even telling me if that happens they will not return.

You have patiently read and listened to testimony from all over the country and from many in our community; I can only hope and pray that you will do the right thing and keep Gettysburg a "National Historic Treasure", not a slots/casino "treasure chest" for its investors.

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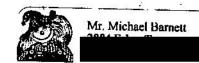
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# Casino at Gettysburg Please vote No

I have been a reenactor since 1997 and have traveled to Gettysburg for every July reenactment and every Remberance Day since then.

Like most reenactor's Gettysburg has held a special place for me since early childhood, and I do not want to see this unique, distinctive place ruined with a casino and all the associated ills that will accompany it.

President Eisenhower retired to his farm knowing full well that the land surrounding Gettysburg had to be protected for all time if we are to preserve what Gettysburg means to our country.

Yours truly,

elevel Barnett

#### Charles F. and Tem B. Tipton

March 5, 2006

P.O. Box 9060 | Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear Gaming Control Board Members, 📥

As native citizens and long-time residents of Gettysburg, we are very concerned about the development of the "Crossroads Gaming Resort and Spa" in our area. While not personally opposed to the concept of legalized gambling and its role in generating state revenue, we are strongly against the establishment of a casino here for several reasons:

- It doesn't blend with the historical aspects of our community. Gettysburg is the site of one of America's foremost National Parks, the home of a National Cemetery, the location of President Lincoln's world famous address, and the site of President Eisenhower's former home. A casino would cheapen the allure of these attractions for everyone who might otherwise visit this historic area.
- It will adversely impact the quality of life that has been built here over many generations. In addition to its historical roots, Adams County is also a rural area with "old fashioned" values and a strong agricultural base that is not compatible with an embedded gaming culture.
- It will produce numerous low-income jobs that will further unnecessarily stress the local infrastructure without commensurate benefits. Additionally, it will undoubtedly create criminal activity related to the gambling emporium.

Like the vast majority of our fellow Adams Countians, we are unalterably opposed to having a casino built here. We ask that you carry out the popular mandate by properly exercising the power incumbent in your appointments and unequivocally denying the application of Chance Enterprises Inc. There are many other communities in PA where a casino is considerably more acceptable. The very idea of having one near Gettysburg doesn't make sense. Please do the right thing to ensure that it doesn't happen.

Sincerely,

March 6, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board Governor Rendell Robert Tomlinson (Senate 6) Matthew Wright (Assembly 142) Sen. Rick Santorum Sen. Arlen Specter

cc: No Casino Gettysburg

Dear Pennsylvania Leaders,

L'm writing in opposition to the proposed gambling casino on the outskirts of the Gettysburg Civil War Battlefield Park. My family and I have traveled to Gettysburg over the past couple of summers. Besides learning more about the events that transpired in this small Pennsylvania town during July 1864, we've come to enjoy the charming town and the beautiful countryside that surrounds the Park.

I am not in total opposition to placing casinos in other areas of the state. However, building this proposed gambling facility would spoil our nation's history, the town, and the countryside in addition to the special bond that our family has developed with this historical treasure.

Sincerely,

Michael Prill

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March 12, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

To Whom It May Concern:

I write to you regarding the proposed casino in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

I have been a regular visitor/tourist to that region since 1972 and really enjoy its beauty and history. It is my humble opinion that a gambling casino would be detrimental to the Gettysburg area.

I ask that you please consider putting your casino elsewhere in the state; anywhere but———Gettysburg.

Sincerely,

Gregory H. Starbuck

March 13, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in order to express my opinion on the casino that is planned for the Gettysburg area. Initially, I must say that I am very much against this idea. This is not the place for this type of entertainment. The town of Gettysburg and the Gettysburg Battlefield are "National Treasures", and should not be put in such jeopardy.

My family spends a lot of time in Gettysburg. This part of our family consists of my daughter, her two children (ages 9 & 11) and myself. We do not live there, but enjoy going to the battlefield and spending the day all around the area. We have an incredible love for this place, and feel that it belongs to us, as well, so, we have a right to speak. History is so important. We cannot forget what happened there. Why it happened. What happened before, during and after the battles. The people that were there.

We have met so many people from all over the country – at this place. They come....for Gettysburg. Most are shocked when a casino is mentioned, and say, don't let them do that.

What would President Eisenhower think? We have visited his farm many times. As recently as last month. My grandson is doing a report on Eisenhower, so we visited once again. What a generous thing the Eisenhower's did, to give us a piece of their history. To add to the Gettysburg "legacy".

We ask that you PLEASE, PLEASE, do not allow them to put a casino this close to the battlefield. It can do irreparable harm. We only have one "Gettysburg". Because there is only one Gettysburg. We can't take chances with this precious piece of history.

I pray that you will allow my one vote to count. I place it with all the others that have been submitted on behalf of our beloved Gettysburg.

Sincerely\_yours, ....

Sandra K Woodward

Jandra K. Woodward

March 09, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 9060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

Members of the Board,

You will be making a major mistake, if you allow a casino to be built at Gettysburg. I know what I am speaking about, because we have two casinos, in our area, and it has totally ruined the surrounding towns. This used to be a quiet, safe area to live in. Then the casinos moved in. Traffic has increased over 100%. The speed has also increased. Crime has increased, especially, the closer to the casinos you live. Pawn shops have sprung up, overnight. People have been injured, mugged for their winnings, no matter how small. A little girl was raped INSIDE the casino. Parents have left their children in their cars, so they could gamble. There are stories, in the newspaper, about people losing their businesses, homes and fighting a gambling addiction.

Gettysburg is a sacred place. I don't think it should be defiled with gambling. People will no longer be able to walk the streets, at night. The muggers will move in, desperate for money to gamble with. Many people who come to Gettysburg, for the history, will no longer go, my husband and myself, included. We will not fight the casino traffic, nor the ugliness that will come with casinos!

I hope you all think long and hard about the consequences of a casino and vote it down, permanently!

I sincerely hope you'll do the right thing!

A non-gambler,

Susan E. Smith

John F. Smith

### JACK H. HOLLAND

#### ATTORNEY AT LAW

March 8, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

RE: Proposed Casino near Gettysburg Battlefield (Gettysburg Gaming Resort and Spa)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As lifelong residents of Texas but frequent (as often as we can) tourists to Pennsylvania and surrounding States, my wife and I were appalled to hear that your great State is even considering approving a proposed casino near Gettysburg.

participated in what they believed was "right" and lost their lives because they were courageous enough to stand up for their beliefs. It also was the turning point in that war from which the Confederate army never recovered. We also love and revere Philadelphia, where my ancestors resided, and if a casino is allowed so near Gettysburg, is the historic area of Philadelphia next?

Please do not make a Las Vegas or Atlantic City atmosphere out of these historic areas by approving this application. We feel confident that you will not do so.

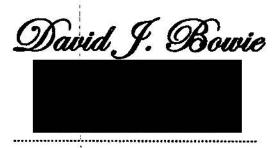
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March 7, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Post Office Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

#### Gentlemen:

Not long ago, the Gaming Control Board handed the gambling industry in Pennsylvania a serious setback by rejecting an application to place a slots parlor in Lancaster County. It is my sincere hope that the Board will act with equal responsibility and leadership by denying the application to place a similar establishment in Gettysburg, Adams County.

The national park at Gettysburg is the second most-visited national park, and teaches families important lessons about America's history.

Our Commonwealth is a historical landmark, of which the national park at Gettysburg is just one part. If the gambling interests infiltrate this and other communities, families may decide to take their vacations elsewhere. This would be disastrous for the businesses and establishments in those areas who depend on tourism to support their families.

Let there be no doubt that gambling is a highly compulsive and addictive activity. It is responsible for the destruction of jobs and homes and promotes crime and corruption.

As an individual who has consistently opposed the expansion of gambling in Pennsylvania, I honestly have to wonder why the current Administration and previous Administrations, for that matter are in the business of promoting such a destructive form of behavior. Is it not the responsibility and duty of government to protect its citizens from the evils of society?

It is my supreme hope that the Gaming Control Board will act, as it did in Lancaster County, and deny this application for a slots parlor in Gettysburg. THE HISTORIC LANDSCAPE OF PENNSYLVANIA MUST BE PRESERVED!!

Thank you for the opportunity to go on record on this critical issue.

Sincerely,

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David J. Bowie

Cc: Honorable David Hickernell PA House of Representatives

Honorable David Brightbill Majority Leader, PA State Senate

Honorable Paul Clymer
Majority Chairman, House
State Government Committee

March 10th, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear Sirs:

My family and I moved to Gettysburg 4 years ago because of my interest in Civil War history and the rural character of the area. I live within a short distance of the battlefield and visit the battlefield frequently. Since moving here I've studied the history of just what took place on the very property I live on. Learning the history of the area is contagious. Friends that visit who have no real interest in the area's history inevitably become absorbed in it by the time they depart.

Gettysburg is a unique place due to historical events and the effort that has been made to preserve the battlefield and surrounding area. The NPS does an excellent job in maintaining the battlefield and restoring the landscape to its original form. Local volunteer groups and historic trusts work in cooperation to maintain the surrounding areas. The town is filled with quaint shops and well-kept houses of the period. The surrounding farms are well-maintained as well as the private homes and other structures that served as hospitals, command centers, etc. Because of this combined effort the battlefield has survived and the entire area lends to the Gettysburg "experience". Once you enter the area you can't help but try to imagine what it must have been like for the combatants and local residents during the three day battle.

When traveling in the U.S. or abroad when strangers learn that I live in Gettysburg, they are inevitably awe struck. People just can't imagine someone living in such an interesting place. It seems that everyone knows something about the battle.

Gettysburg has become a popular family travel destination. It is not a place filled with glitz and expensive hotels and restaurants. It is a place where families go for a few days to imagine life at a different time with different values and incredible hardships. It's a place where families can enjoy a low-budget vacation, and a time to reflect, renew relationships and escape the pressures of modern life.

Gettysburg is now undergoing its second epic struggle. Can it maintain its historic charm while being thrust into the 21<sup>st</sup> century with the addition of a large casino? I personally doubt that it can. The casino will have the effect of turning the area into an adult "amusement park". The casino owners expect to draw the majority of its clients from visitors, but the demographics seem wrong.

The same folks that are attempting to build the casino currently operate a nearby motorcycle dealership. In the last several years they have introduced "bike week" where bikers from all over descend on the town and create an incessant racket by driving their loud motorcycles through town for days. Events are capped of with such activities and the "Parade of Chrome" and "Wet Tee Shirt" contests. While motorcycle activities may be harmless, they are exploitive and run orthogonal to the historical significance of the area. I don't think these folks have shown good faith as caretakers of the Gettysburg experience.

Gettysburg is a historical treasure not only for Adams County, but for the world at large. If a casino is allowed to come to Gettysburg the area's heritage will be minimized and we will be cast as the custodians who failed in preserving the Gettysburg experience. I urge you and your associates to deny the casino license application for Gettysburg, thereby preserving this treasure for future generations.

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Robert Stolzehburg

March 17, 2006

Mr Thomas Decker
Chairman
Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
P.O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear Mr Decker:

I appeal to your Board to prohibit the establishment of gambling casinos near the site of the Battle of Gettysburg.

To have such honky-tonk operations set up near the battleground is outrageous. The battleground has long been a memorial -- since the days of Lincoln -- to the soldiers of North and South who died there.

To install cheap casinos in the shadow of such an historic memorial is offensive and an assault on American history.

It is as though people today no longer care why so many died there. It is as though we are turning our backs on our national history and mocking the sacrifices made there at Gettysburg by so many thousands.

The proposal to set the disreputable atmosphere of Las Vegas next to the battleground is appalling.

I realize that this is a matter to be dealt with in Pennsylvania, but the place of Gettysburg in American history makes this issue of the gambling casinos a matter of national concern.

Very truly yours,

James E. Subymans

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27 May 2006

Mr. Tad Decker, Chairman Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Mr. Decker,

It is with great sadness that I've watched the division within our community since the Chance—Group announced plans to bring a casino to Gettysburg. This division has included death threats, bribery to support the cause, theft of advertising materials, splits in families and many altercations reaching a serious level.

Frankly, it is terrifying that seven people can determine the future of our community. While the hearings were valuable, the real statistics of those who support the casino could only have been determined by a referendum on the ballot. As important as this is to our community, I was disappointed that the attendance of all board members was not mandatory at all three hearings. Reading the written testimony is not the same and can we be assured you'll read it?

My husband and I moved to Biglerville 39 years ago. We've enjoyed the small town atmosphere, the rural culture and the community of faith in this area. Within 15 miles we have an abundance of shopping, needed services and wide cultural opportunities.

Please refuse to issue a license for a casino in Gettysburg. Our infrastructure cannot handle the problems it will be dealt and our life as we know it today will be forever compromised. We will find it necessary to relocate for our retirement years.

Sincerely,

Shervl Snyder

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Mr. Tad Decker P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9711

Dear Mr. Decker,

I urge you to reject the proposal to build one of the largest casinos in the country near Gettysburg National Military Park. This casino, if built, will overshadow the historic integrity of the Gettysburg battlefield.

Gettysburgâcms history is its future. Its history is known across the nation, even the world. Gettysburg currently attracts almost 2 million people to visit its battlefield each year. These visitors spent \$92.7 million dollars in 2003, supporting 2,852 local jobs. A casino would detract and distract from the unique and compelling history that draws visitors today.

Please protect Gettysburg's future by denying the proposal to build a casino here.

Howard Rife

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Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
P. O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, PA 17106
Tad Decker, Chairman
April 9,2006

Dear Chairman Decker:

I have attended almost every PGCB meeting for the past year, since Chance Enterprises announced their plan to apply for a gaming license. You know my face very well. I watch all of you Board members deliberate carefully on every issue that is brought up before you. It is clear to me that each of you wants what is absolutely best for the Commonwealth in terms of gaming location and revenue.

In light of your clear dedication to doing what is right, I ask you to reject Chance's application now, for a gaming license for Crossroads Gaming Resort and Spa at Gettysburg. As you have heard at the first of our two hearings, Chance's application is full of ommissions and untruths. Please see Michael Seigel's and Keith Miller's testimony, in addition to testimony about the childrens' ball-park, which Chance's site plan does not identify.

Chairman Decker, perhaps most importantly, this terrible controversy is ripping our fine community apart. It has become the Money/Power/Influence Peddlers versus the common citizens, who, by a very large majority, do not want this stunningly inappropriate venture to come anywhere near historic Gettysburg. Chance has bought off the Borough Council. The Chamber of Commerce has just come out in support of the casino, though they did not poll their membership. I know that because I am a member of the Chamber. It is Power Brokers against the rest of us. The atmosphere here is sad and ugly and destructive of one of the finest historic communities in the Commonwealth and the country, and is getting worse by the week.

Please, Mr. Decker - this is a heartfelt plea to you and the entire Board, to help Gettysburg, one of our Commonwealth's premier treasures. Please do anything in your powers to stop Chance's application process now. This has gone too far as it is. Gettysburg is breaking under the strain. Thank you very much.

Sincerely, Siderio

April 11, 2006

Gaming Control Board P. O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Dear Members:

This is an urgent appeal to ask you to vote against the development of a casino near Gettysburg.

In addition to the positive reasons cited for approving such a facility – more jobs, more tourists, tax relief, etc., would you please consider the negatives.

Many of us feel that a gambling casino in the midst of an historic heritage as important as Gettysburg's Civil War battle would be incongruous to the beautiful, pastoral setting of the historic Gettysburg area, to what the Gettysburg National Park stands for and to the quality of life as we now know it.

Approval of this issue will bring about a negative change that will affect the people and places of this area forever. Please protect our national heritage in Gettysburg and preserve what many have worked so hard to accomplish to memorialize those who fought and died there lest we forget.

Thank you for giving the people this opportunity to respond to this important decision.

Sincerely yours,

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#### CAPT, HENRY E. MARX



P.G.C.B. P. O. Box # 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

26 April 2006

To whom it may concern:

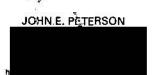
I am unalterably opposed to the Casino in the area of the Gettysburg Battlefield. This location is probably the most sacred place in the formation of the present United States - as that is where the decision was really made to keep the nation together.

All the smoke screen about jobs and economic prosperity are just that "smoke and mirrors" - just take a look at Atlantic City, New Jersey and tell me how great that community is doing. The crime rate is off the scale, outside the casinos themselves it is an intolerable slum - we do not need this for your beautiful, historic Adams County.

Please vote against this travesty and put the casino - if necessary in some remote part of our beautiful commonwealth where it will not detract from its surroundings.

Thank you,

E. Marx USMM



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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-3805

April 24, 2006

Members
Pennsylvania State Gaming Control Board
P. O. Box 69060
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17106

Dear Board Members:

- Please find enclosed a copy of the correspondence I received from Mr. Donald Hughes, as residents of the Fifth Congressional District of Pennsylvania. It would be most appreciated if you would review this letter and respond directly to the constituent and send me a copy of that response.

Sincerely,

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your reply.

John E. Peterson

Member of Congress

JEP:db Enclosure April 25, 2006

To the Pennsylvania Gaming Commission:

In the Gettysburg Times, Saturday April 22, 2006, there were 90 separate ads seeking employees on three different pages. The number 90 indicates the number of actual advertisements, not the number of jobs available. The number of jobs was well over 125. The jobs varied in complexity and employee qualifications from HVAC maintenance to factory work to construction workers to day care to different kinds of medical needs to service jobs (hotel, food service, restaurant workers, cashiers) to administrative to management to sales and different kinds of computer skills and more.

During the last month we have been watching the employment pages from the Gettysburg Times. Each day there is at least one full page seeking individuals for work. There is a frequent change or turnover in the different companies advertising.

The unemployment rate for Adams County Pennsylvania is one of the lowest in the Commonwealth. We do not need a gambling facility to provide more jobs.

Please do not put a gambling or slot machine enterprise in our county. We do not want it. We do not need it.

Sincerely, Cay Bully restore The

Craig and Natalie Bishop



President: Enos Richardson, Jr. Vice-President: Stuart K. (Ken) Purks Secretary: Kevin S. Jones Treasurer: Edward (Ed) G. Thorn

March 2, 2006 -

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Post Office Box 69060 Harrisburg, VA 17106

Dear Members of the Board:

Enclosed please find a Resolution that was passed by our Round Table at its February meeting here in Fredericksburg, Virginia. The Resolution addresses the application for constructing and operating a casino ir immediate environs of the Gettysburg Battlefield. As the Resolution states, it is the opinion of our members to such a casino is not a suitable business endeavor to be placed in the vicinity of this historic battlefield.

Sincerely yours,

Enos Richardson, Jr.

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may 4, 2006 To the PA Gaming Control Board: Dears Members of the above Board, Som a resident of adoms County, PA and Some writing to ask you to please keep the stats/Casino anay (for the Battlefield. It simply Hoes not suit our wholesome countrypide and revered rounds and town.



### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: On July 1, 2 and 3 of 1863 Gettysburg was the site of one of the most historic battles in the history of the United States; and,

WHEREAS: The battlefield at Gettysburg is visited by approximately 2,000,000 Americans, each year to inspect, learn and ponder the sacrifices that were made there during that battle; and,

WHEREAS: There is a proposal to construct and operate a gambling casino within the immediate surroundings of the battlefield, in particular the East Cavalry Battlefield at Rummel's Farm; and,

WHEREAS: The construction and operation of such a casino will negatively impact the integrity of the battlefield and compromise its historic significance in our country's history; and,

WHEREAS: The Civil War Round Table of Fredericksburg, Virginia, having been founded in 1957, seeks to inform its members and guests about the Civil War and to further the efforts to preserve Civil War sites and battlefields so that all Americans will have an opportunity to visit and realize the tremendous sacrifice made by both Union and Confederate soldiers during that historic conflict; a conflict that determined the destiny of our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, at a meeting of the Civil War Round Table of Fredericksburg held on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Civil War Round Table of Fredericksburg strongly opposes the construction and operation of a gambling casino in the immediate vicinity of the Gettysburg Battlefield, it being the opinion of the Round Table that such an operation will severely compromise the integrity of one of America's most historic sites and deprive the visitors to that site of the opportunity to view and contemplate the tremendous sacrifices that were made there in July of 1863;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Civil War Round Table of Fredericksburg strongly urges the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board to deny the issuance of a permit for the construction and operation of a casino in the Gettysburg area."

CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF FREDERICKSBURG

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March 2, 2006

To Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board,

I read with disgust that developers want to build a casino one mile from Gettysburg
National Military Park.

I pray that our nation has its priorities in order and not let greed dictate that we build anything that would detract from this great historic shrine.

Our family has visited Gettysburg many times and it always had a quiet, serene, and peaceful atmosphere.

Gettysburg is definitely the wrong

location for a casino.

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Most sincerely,

Emily Murphy Emily Murphy



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing in regard to the proposed Gambling Casino planned for Gettysburg PA.

Although I am not a resident of Pennsylvania, I have deep family roots in your State going back to the early 1700's and my ancestors were of the first settlers in Centre County. Two of my ancestors served from Pennsylvania in no less than in the Army of General George Washington.

During the Civil War, my Great Grandfather, Ellis Etters fought with the 13<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Cavalry. He had 5 brothers that fought in the War as well in different Pennsylvania Regiments. Only 2 returned home to Centre County. 2 died in Battle and 2 in prison Camps. The other surviving brother fought in the 34<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry. He fought in many battles and the most important battle he fought in was at Gettysburg. His name is inscribed on the Pennsylvania Monument on the Battlefield. My late Father of Blue Ridge Summit Pennsylvania right near the area of Gettysburg was a combat veteran of World War Two. My Dad would have been sickened by this Casino proposal and I speak for him as well.

I'm proud to have the blood of such men flow in my veins.

To me, Gettysburg and the surrounding area is nothing less than sacred ground where many a Union Solider lost his life or was seriously wounded for life on that field of Honor. Putting up a Casino any were near the area of Gettysburg is an insult to that sacrifice made by those men who fought for their State and for the Union.

What have we become as a Nation? Is receiving thousand of pictures of Lincoln on a five dollar bill more important than Lincolns Gettysburg Address? It seems so.

I am not personally opposed to a Casino. Heck we have here in Connecticut the largest Casino in the world. But Gettysburg............... No no no!!!!

I am opposed to this and I hope that those who make the final decision wont cheapen what Gettysburg means to the United States as an historical sight -not to be desecrated -now or ever!

Kevin Buchanan. Shelton Connecticut

March 9, 2006

Dear Gaming Control Board:

I have been reading the news about the casinos they want to build (and currently are building) in Erie, Pennsylvania.

This issue never did go to the people of Pennsylvania to vote on, which bothers me a lot. This makes good a promise our governor made. However, he never asked me about it, so I'll tell you how I feel about it.

First, I'll tell you of an experience that my husband and I had back in 1991. We went to Atlantic City on a trip. We stayed in a hotel/casino and one time, we went down to the casino. We are not by nature "gamblers", so we just looked around and left soon after. We ended up going on a bus ride around the area. This bus driver drove around the strip. Once you get beyond the glitz and glamour of the strip (which you think will go on and on for miles), you get to the areas where the people live. My husband and I looked around and were very disturbed to see that the people that lived there lived in shacks. You couldn't even call them homes. It was very depressing. I see this happening in Erie.

Next, I found some information that you may be aware of, but I hope you take this information into consideration. I got this information from Focus on the Family Action web site:

Gettysburg, the second most visited National Park, is historically and currently a family based tourism site. Families go there to learn important lessons about American History. A survey completed in July 2005 found that 96% of families and visitors were opposed to the casino and 53% said they would not return!

Pennsylvania is a historical landmark and a popular family vacation destination. If gambling saturates Pennsylvania, families will choose to vacation elsewhere and the local businesses depending upon family patronage for their livelihood will cease to exist.

Studies indicate that counties with casinos and adjacent counties experience significant increases in bankruptcy.

Within a 15 mile radius of a casino, the number of pathological gamblers roughly doubles. Among these pathological gamblers, 1 in 5 will attempt suicide, the highest rate for any addiction.

It's evident to me that this city has enough problems all on its own without adding casinos/gambling. Nothing good will come out of this. I fear for the future of this city and the families that are trying to live here peacefully.

Please do all you can to see that this community doesn't have to fear becoming a "gambling town".

Sincerely.

Carolyn Hazlett

# RICHARD R. WIDTH

March 18, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

Re: Casino in Gettysbury

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Dear Board,

I have read that you are considering granting permission for the operation of a casino in Gettysburg. As a frequent visitor to Gettysburg, I would like to express my strong opposition to the granting of such approval.

I am not telling you anything you don't already know, when I say that Gettysburg is a unique and special place. It is my belief that a casino in the area would result in at least the following two negative things: 1) a substantial increase in commercial activity, and 2) the attraction of a completely different type of visitor to the area, i.e., persons not interested in the rich history of Gettysburg. These two affects will substantially detract from what makes Gettysburg attractive to me and will serve to denigrate the almost sacred respect I, and many others, have for this wonderful repository of our history.

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Please do not allow a casino in this area.

Thank you for considering my views.

Very Truly, Yours,

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## Rappahannock Valley Civil War Roundtable



March 13, 2006

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 9060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear board members:

Our position may be stated very succinctly. Don't gamble with Gettysburg.

No other point in our nation's history is any more important than the Battle of Gettysburg. No other land within our country's boundary is any more sacred than the Gettysburg battlefield. No other name represents bravery, courage and "the last full measure of devotion" any more powerfully than Gettysburg.

We oppose the construction of a 42 acre, 2,500 slot machine, casino complex proposed to be located just one mile from Gettysburg's East Cavalry Battlefield. While the site is not on property that was part of the battlefield, it will have a negative impact on the land within the park nonetheless. It is not enough to simply preserve the actual battlefield, but the surrounding development, traffic and people impact the battlefield land that has been preserved and the historic setting.

The historic buildings and open space that surround the park and are held in private hands contribute to the special feel that Gettysburg elicits in visitors and helps people to gain a feel for the 19th century. Spin-off development will likely reach the very boundary of the park, and the effects will spill-over into the park. The night-life aspect of a casino will very likely result in late night antics and vandalism in the National Park. Such conduct will not only harm the park's historic resources, but will also drain the park's financial resources by forcing it to devote more hours to law enforcement patrols.

The thought of the Gettysburg Battlefield and Casino as a tourist destination is offensive. We hope that you not only vote "no" to the proposed casino, but ask that you send an even stronger message announcing to the rest of the world watching for your decision that this is an extremely inappropriate use for this very unique community.

Sincerely,

Rappahannock Valley Civil War Round Table Board of Directors

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- March 29, 2006 -

Mr. Tad Decker Chair Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106 9060

Mr. Decker: \_ · · · · ·

I am writing to protest the building of a casino in Gettysburg. The implications of placing such a business in a national historic district are very obvious and you don't need me to enumerate them. There are so many sites in Pennsylvania that would benefit from a casino, why would this location even be considered?

Please do not support this development.

Sincerely,

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## Tom Phillips

#### A Rose By Any Other Name

You could call a Rose a Petunia, but that doesn't make it a Petunia. It is still simply a rose.

David LeVan, and his family indeed have done many fine things for the betterment of Adams County. But to use railroad language, he switched off the main track to a siding in an attempt to give a volatile issue a different name. That is to convince the community – and more importantly – out of the area visitors, that what is to be called CROSSROADS GAMING RESORT AND SPA has nothing at all to do with. Gettysburg or its internationally known Battlefield. A Battlefield which President Abraham Lincoln called "Hallowed Ground."

At first the Chance group said it was backed by local money. Then we find it is to be backed by Morgan Stanley. Searching the telephone directory, I could not find a Mr. Stanley living in upper Adams County, running a farm. But there IS a huge Investment firm by that name. "Local"?

Now we're going to remove any connection to Gettysburg or the Battlefield simply by calling it "Crossroads." Clever. This is because it will be at the intersection of Routes 15 and 30. That is also the area where the Monahan Development known as "Gateway Gettysburg" is being developed. A very appropriate name.

Now, let's drive just ONE mile east where we find Mr. LeVan's Harley Davidson Enterprise. Does he call it "Crossroads?" No. Does he call it "Gettysburg.?" No. Oh, We find it is called **BATTLEFIELD** HARLEY DAVIDSON.

Is he maybe referring to the Battlefield near Manassas, VA, or perhaps could it be the Battlefield near Harpers Ferry, W. VA., or the Antietam Battlefield in Sharpsburg, Md. No, I'm not a rocket scientist, but I bet you it is really referring to the GETTYSBURG Battlefield. Maybe it would remove some of the confusion if he would change the name to CROSSROADS HARLEY DAVIDSON, then we'd all have a better understanding of this confusing situation.

Tom Phillips

Jon Hallys

## CORPORAL KEVIN A.BROOKS BROOKFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 1, 2006

Governor Edward G. Rendell Harrisburg, Pa.

Your Honor:

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Today I read an article in my local newspaper about a proposal that would bring gambling to the Gettysburg area. I cannot see how the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania would allow this to happen. The thought of having this type of establishments in or around a site of one of our most important national shines is just unthinkable. President Lincoln stood there and addresses this nation with one of his most significant speeches.

The loss of life in the three days in July 1863 makes this area almost holy. I have walked the battlefields and have never lost the feeling of utter reverence and sincere sorrow that so many young men died for what they believed in. I too lost and relative on Little Round Top just before Col. Chamberlain made history there.

We have two casinos in the eastern part of Connecticut. They are tucked away in a remote but accessible part of our state. This area can support this type of entertainment without affecting others. Pennsylvania is so large I'm sure a more appropriate site could be found for the folks that would like to gamble.

Gettysburg is just too important to our nations history. What happened there changed and united this country in a massive struggle. We cannot allow it to be diminished in anyway, shape or form. Please sir I hope you will give this matter some attention and not allow it to happen.

Sincerely,

Kevin A: Brooks, Cpl. Brookfield Police



Leann Sherman

Governor Edward G. Rendell
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

March 1, 2006

Dear Governor Rendell.

In a recent issue of the Hartford Courant, I read that Mr. David M. LeVan, a Gettysburg resident, along with a group of Harrisburg investors, wants to build a 3,000-slot casino on 44 acres along Route 30 east of the historic and hallowed grounds of none other than Mr. LeVan's historic home town of Gettysburg. The investors group, called Chance Enterprises, announced in April 2005 that its Gettysburg Gaming Resort and Spa would include a four-star hotel with 224 rooms and a 30,000-square-foot spa.

I am a former Pittsburgher living in Connecticut, where several years ago, despite impassioned protests, two colossal casinos were foisted upon the residents of a quiet southeastern corner of the state - and where today, these same residents, along with wildlife, suffer a diminished quality of life in the form of relentless traffic, noise and pollution.

I applaud Susan and Jim Paddock, who live on a 130-acre farm near the Gettysburg battlefield, for taking a stand against those who would seek to defile such a vital piece of Pennsylvania's rich heritage - and I urge you to stand up for your fellow Pennsylvanians in Gettysburg by telling Chance Enterprises to take their chances elsewhere.

I look forward to your reply, and thank you for reading my letter.

Sincerely yours,

Leann Sherman

Cc: Susan Star Paddock
Pittsburgh Post Gazette
Gettysburg Times

March 6, 2006

PA Gaming Control Board Governor Rendell Robert Tomlinson (Senate 6) Matthew Wright (Assembly 142) Sen. Rick Santorum Sen. Arlen Specter

cc: No Casino Gettysburg

Dear Pennsylvania Leaders,

I'm writing in opposition to the proposed gambling casino on the outskirts of the Gettysburg Civil War Battlefield Park. My family and I have traveled to Gettysburg over the past couple of summers. Besides learning more about the events that transpired in this small Pennsylvania town during July 1864, we've come to enjoy the charming town and the beautiful countryside that surrounds the Park.

I am not in total opposition to placing casinos in other areas of the state. However, building this proposed gambling facility would spoil our nation's history, the town, and the countryside in addition to the special bond that our family has developed with this historical treasure.

Sincerely,

Michael Prill

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