Please don't divide our community AGAIN —

County residents ask investor to abandon Gettysburg casino plan

Mr. David LeVan, Owner Battlefield Harley Davidson 21 Cavalry Field Road Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325

Dear Mr. LeVan:

As citizens of Adams County, Pennsylvania, we are writing to respectfully request that you reconsider applying for a state license to place a casino in the Eisenhower Inn and All Star Complex on the Emutisburg Road south of Gettysburg, just one-half mile from the boundary of the Gettysburg National Military Park.

We acknowledge the numerous good works you have done for the Gettysburg community, and we ask that you, in the same spirit of civic responsibility, change your mind.

In 2005 and 2006, a similar debate over the previous Gettysburg casino proposal tore Adams County apart. Recently, former Borough Council president Dick Peterson called that controversy the "most divisive" event of his tenure. Speaking to *The Gettysburg Times*, he said, "That split everyone asunder. It wasn't just the council that was split, the whole community was split on the issue. That was something that I think we were all glad when it was over, and we all came out somewhat scarred with bandages."

This new casino plan could be far more contentious, since this proposed location lies in a more rural part of the county, within the Journey Through Hallowed Ground Heritage Area, along a recently established National Scenic Byway, and less than 3,000 feet from the National Military Park.

Although your new application is not due until April 7, already the same hostility has begun to permeate our everyday lives and impact our community's many guests.

Please weigh the unintended consequences of reigniting this controversial issue, and the harm that will come to our community if you proceed with your proposal. You have it in your power to help us heal once and for all, to emerge as a stronger community, ready to embrace the heritage tourism opportunities associated with the upcoming Civil War Sesquicentennial

We, the undersigned residents of Adams County, therefore request that you stop your casino plans now. You are the only person in the community that can prevent this divisive debate. We ask, instead, that you consider creative alternatives that we could all embrace.

Very Respectfully,

Dr. William Aldrich, Gettysburg

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Joyce Shuff, Fairfield

If you are an Adams County resident and share our concerns about another casino controversy dividing our close-knit community, please visit our website to add your name to this letter:

www.nocasinogettysburg.org

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SERVING THE GREATER HANOVER AND GETTYSBURG AREAS

Former state rep. to own majority of resort

■ LeVan to "buy out" other investor after casino license is granted.

By TIM PRUDENTE The Evening Sun

businessman David Although Mason-Dixon of-

Gaming Control Board indi- \ for Cumberland Township, a report filed with the state cates a different investor has ner in the casino proposed LeVan as the principal part-

by far the majority owner-

ship has raised issue with the is the major partner in the The report states LeVan's casino plan and, as a result; a partner, Joseph Lashinger Jr., group called Concerned Citizens of Cumberland Town-

"The idea presented has [Dixon Resorts GP, LLC while] guy," said group leader Al Ferranto. "But the report been that LeVan's the main talks about this Lashinger guy and why hasn't he been around? Where's he been?"

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cause it's the entity that's empowered to make decisions partner" is important beon behalf of the casino, while known as limited partners -the other six investors – LeVan has a 2 percent interest. Mason-Dixon Resorts GP, Mason-Dixon Resorts LP, the company that would own and and one of seven investors in LLC is the "general partner operate the proposed casino.

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partners will make their investment into the entity and in exchange they'll have limited liability. They'll only be on the hook for the amount of their contribution," said associate professor Michael Hussey of Widener Law school. "What Mason-Dixon is doing is fairly standard. They've made the general partner (Mason-Dixon Resorts GP, LLC) responsible for the day-to-day management of the limited partnership. They're the entity that has the ability to sign contracts on behalf of the limited partnership."

In the past, casino proponents have pointed to LeVan's magnanimous track record in Gettysburg — he's made large donations to Gettysburg College and the Majestic Theater, among others—as evidence that the casino would be run in conjunction with the best interests of the surrounding townships.

But because LeVan has a 2 percent ownership interest in this "general partnership," Hussey says LeVan would be expected to have little decision-making power.

"It's expected that Joseph (Lashinger) is the controlling individual in this capacity," he said. "He's always going to win. He'll vote his 98 percent and LeVan will vote his 2 percent. He's going to cause Mason-Dixon to take whatever action he wanted."

But a Mason-Dixon spokesman has said a private agreement has been reached that grants LeVan the final say, even if the ownership split would suggest otherwise.

"They split all costs and Dave (LeVan) has the final decision in all matters," said spokesman David La Torre. "To say otherwise is simply untrue."

According to La Torre, Lashinger — a former Penn National Gaming executive — was enlisted in the project because he had extensive experience in the gaming industry.

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"Joe was brought in to assist with the formation of the project. The understanding has always been that the long-term ownership of this project would be with David LeVan," La Torre said. "Upon licensure, David LeVan, a lifelong Adams County resident, will purchase Mr. Lashinger's intersests. That will ensure Dave's vision for job creation and

investment in the local economy"

The report also breaks down the "net" ownership interest for the seven individuals that have invested in Mason-Dixon. These figures typically show how much investors have contributed and how much they stand to gain financially, Hussey says. Among the investors, Lashinger's total ownership interest is 76.4 percent of the casino and LeVan's is 17.5 percent.

Apart from Lashinger and LeVan, five other individuals are identified in the report as having ownership interests in the proposed casino. They include LeVan's wife, Jennifer, who would have a 2 percent net ownership interest and two trust funds that have been established for minors, each of which owns 1 percent. LeVan's longtime accountant Michael Jackson and attorney Bernard Yannetti each are listed with 1 percent net ownership interests in the casino.

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Hussey says if LeVan has the final say in all decisions, this discrepancy in ownership makes for an aberrant business model.

"In theory it's possible. But what's confusing about this is why Lashinger would put in 76 percent of the money and turn over control to LeVan," he said. "It's unusual that someone with such a large ownership interest and with so much capital at risk would turn over control entirely to someone else."

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According to Hussey, a signed operating agreement for the general partnership would disclose such an arrangement, but Mason-Dixon officials said any such document will not be released. La Torre also said neither Lashinger nor LeVan would be available to comment on their business relationship at this time.

"People can focus on the structure and these agreements, but it's much to do about nothing," La Torre said. "From day one, this project has been formulated, organized and run by Dave LeVan."

La Torre continued, "There are some who wish to make this out to be something more than it is. Their intent is to distract from one basic fact: Mason-Dixon will create 900 jobs and pour millions of dollars into the local economy."

But the Concerned Citizens group has also raised issue with the Memorandum of Understanding signed by Lashinger and the chairman

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Gettysburg businessman David LeVan and former Penn National Gaming executive Joseph Lashinger have proposed converting the Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center along Emmitsburg Road, located about 0.8 miles south of the Gettysburg National Military Park, into a gaming resort with 600 slot machines and 50 table games.

The state's Gaming Control Board will hold its first hearing on Aug. 31 to consider public testimony on whether to award the pair the last remaining Category 3 gaming license. The location of the hearing has not yet been determined.

Their proposal is expected to face competition from three other applicants including the Holiday Inn Harrisburg West in Cumberland County, the Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in Fayette County and the Fernwood Hotel and Resort in the Poconos.

of Cumberland Township. The memorandum guarantees at least \$1 million to the township and the supervisors pledged support for the Gaming Control Board hearings, which will be held to consider public testimony on the casino.

"If LeVan's calling all the shots why didn't he sign the MOU? That's the indication of who really is the owner," said Ferranto. "I think it's a good strategy because Lashinger is an outsider and LeVan is the person everyone knows. He's done a lot of good things for this community, so he's the front man."

Hussey agrees it's atypical that Lashinger signed the memorandum, especially if he plans to sell all of his interests in the casino.

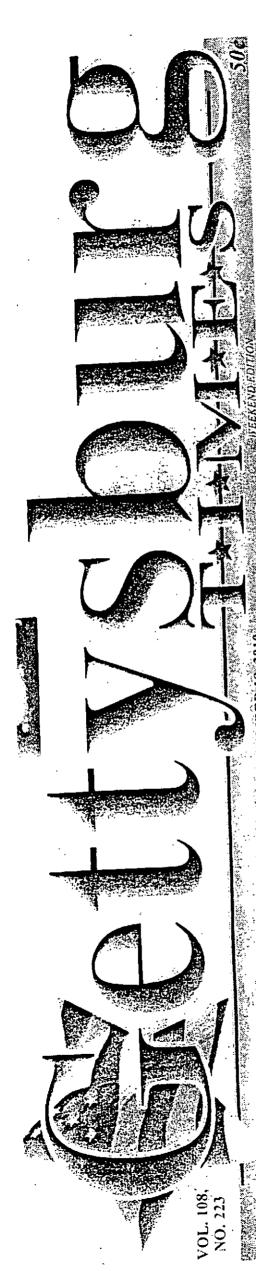
"I think you would want LeVan to sign it," Hussey says. "Maybe it's not in the legal structure and Lashinger is just deferential: On the face, it's very confusing."

La Torre said it was a matter of legality. "I can't speculate on those

matters and I'm not privy to those conversations," he said.

Apart from his executive position with Penn National Gaming, Lashinger is also a former state representative from Montgomery County and the lead partner in Harrah's Chester Casino & Racetrack, located south of Philadelphia. The Delaware County harness-racing track was one of the first operations in the state to open a slots facility.

In 2005, LeVan and other investors attempted to launch a slots casino called the Crossroads Gaming Resort and Spa, but were turned down by the Gaming Control Board, which cited significant public opposition as the reason for the rejection.



A GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010

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BY SCOT ANDREW PITZER

Times Staff Writer

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Gov. Rendell acknowledges he has no vote in the Gettysburg proposal, though he's against it

By TIM PRUDENTE The Evening Sun

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But after Thursday, there's no doubt how the governor feels about the project.

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Memo To: Members of the Pennsylvania Gaming

Control Board

From **NOCASINOGettysburg**

Re: Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino.

Date: **April 7, 2010**

INTRODUCTION:

No Casino Gettysburg is an all-volunteer grass roots movement. Our supporters are dedicated to keeping a casino from being licensed less than 3000 feet from the southern boundary of Gettysburg National Military Park, and along the Journey Through Hallowed Ground, which is a scenic byway stretching from Charlottesville, VA (Monticello) to Gettysburg.

While we heartily support economic development for Adams County, we represent a host of people who believe that such development should be compatible with what the Gettysburg Battlefield and its contextual community has come to represent for Adams County and, in fact, the entire nation.

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First, we respectfully request that you review the reasons you listed in 2006 for rejecting a casino application for a site in Gettysburg. Three of the five reasons the Board rejected Crossroads, the 1st Gettysburg casino, are summarized below (quotes from the report are in bold italics).

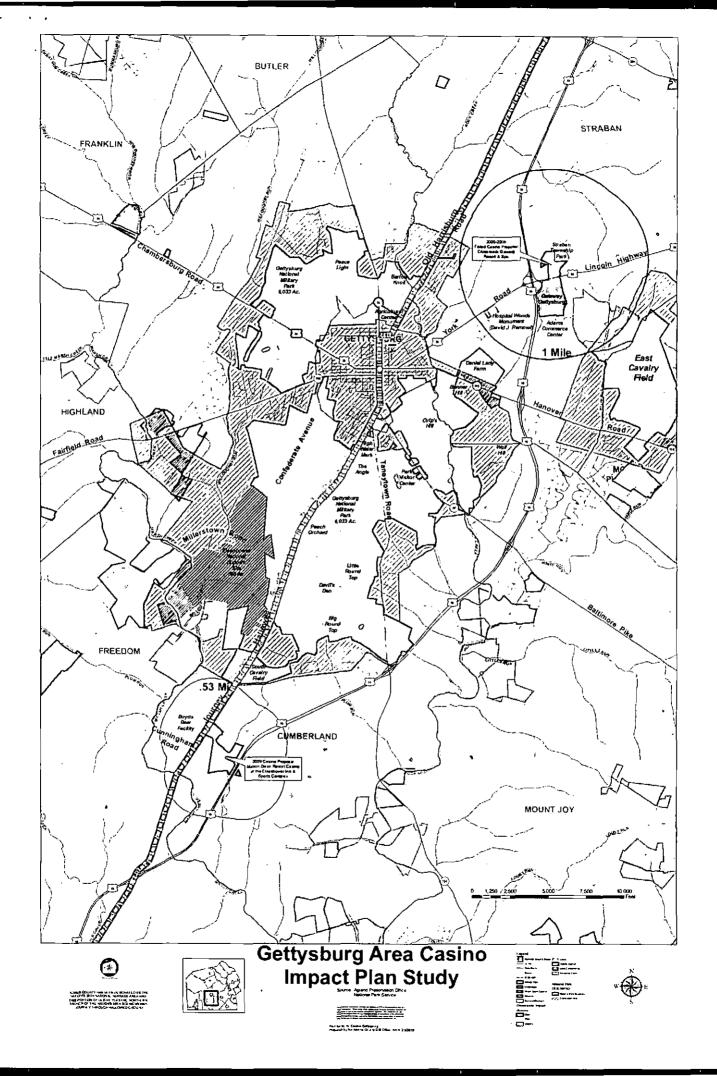
See full version at: http://www.pgcb.state.pa.us/adjuducations/Cat2_AL_OA.pdf

- 1. You found no "credible evidence" that a casino could compete with Charlestown, W.Va. Charlestown now has table games. Larger casinos presently exist or are planned for construction that are closer to populations beyond a 24-mile area. Consequently, Mason- Dixon would be a locals' casino, drawing from the thinly populated area within that 24-mile circle.
- 2. In 2006, you also believed that if Maryland would legalize slots, a Gettysburg site would generate the least amount of money to the state. To quote directly from your report; "slot machines being introduced in Maryland...would place Crossroads at the bottom of the revenue generation models..." Legalized slots in Maryland are now a reality, with table games under consideration along with plans for casinos to be opened at Anne Arundel Mall near BWI and in Baltimore.

3. The public hearings in 2006 found overwhelming community resistance to the proposal, based on historical grounds, infrastructure and natural resource deficits, economic adversity for heritage tourism, along with other negative impact statements. In fact 86% of those who testified spoke in opposition to the casino proposal. "Opposition was strongest in relation to the proximity of the casino to the historic Gettysburg battlefield areas and the effect the casino would have on the traditionally rural nature of the community." The site for Crossroads was 1 mile from the Gettysburg National Military Park (GNMP). The Mason-Dixon site is only 0.53 mile from the border of the GNMP and is located right on a National Scenic Byway, The Journey Through Hallowed Ground which leads into the most visited part of the park. A casino at this location would be an embarrassment to PA and threaten the viability of our 147-year old heritage tourism industry.

Noto Bene: The National Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Parks Conservation Association, the Civil War Preservation Trust, and Preservation Pennsylvania have all formally stated their opposition to the Mason-Dixon proposal. As the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War begins next year, with a forecast of 400 million dollars in added tourism revenues expected, doesn't Pennsylvania want to show all who visit that it truly cares about preserving its sacred historic sites?

Secondly, and In conclusion, we ask you respectfully to deny the Mason-Dixon Casino license application. Let's embrace the words President Lincoln spoke at Gettysburg in November, 1863 and show the world that Pennsylvania is capable of good stewardship: "The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here", and "that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom— and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth." Thank you for your consideration.



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Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

P. O. Box 69060

Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

To the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board:

I write with deep concern about the application for a casino to be located near Gettysburg. Americans over the entire United States from the time that they are young people study in school about Gettysburg---the impact of the great battle fought here and the best known speech in American history delivered here by President Lincoln. Many come to Gettysburg in school groups or in the company of their families. It is a place beloved by all ages. Please do not grant a license to the Mason Dixon Casino thereby enabling it to encroach on this image and turn Gettysburg, a national treasure, into a casino town.

The proposed Mason Dixon Casino could have a negative impact on the student life and the potential of the student enrollment at Gettysburg College and Mt. St. Mary's University in Emittsburg, MD, thus hampering the vitality and growth of these two institutions.

If Mason Dixon Casino receives a license, all publicity regarding it—newspaper, magazine, and television ads; billboards; posters; brochures—will identify it with Gettysburg as an address. It is a completely inappropriate image for our historic community and the surrounding National Military Park, the Soldiers' National Cemetery, and the Eisenhower Historic Site. It is obvious that the applicants for the license are intent in drawing upon our heritage tourism already established and the places and activities that support it as a platform for their own enterprise. Their application for a casino near Gettysburg reflects significantly upon their lack of good judgment.

Gettysburg means so much to so many people. I ask you strongly to deny the application of the Mason Dixon Casino and to grant the license to an applicant with plans for a casino in another location.

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The Eisenhower Hotel & Conference Center on the Emmitsburg Road in Gettysburg, PA has been proposed by a developer as a location for a gambling casino. This property is directly adjacent to an area that has been used as dumpsite, and currently contains upwards of 5,000 tons of toxic waste and 676 drums of metallic sludge. It has polluted the air, land, groundwater and wetlands (see enclosed report). The Eisenhower Hotel will have to drill wells in order to obtain an adequate water supply for their hotel (300 rooms) and casino.

I believe that this site is dangerous not only to the patrons of the Eisenhower Hotel & the planned Mason - Dixon Resort & Casino, but to the many private residences and farms in the area whose wells may be affected by the drilling.

Sincerely,

Dan Siderio

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Former owner suing to reclaim land next to proposed Mason-Dixon casin

By TIM PRUDENTE The Evening Sun

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Mason-Dixon the site of the proposed now seeking to reclaim the land, which is located next toTestimony by Muriel Rice before the PA. Gaming Control Board Aug.31, 2010, Gettysbug PA for No Casino Gettysburg.

Speaking for No Casino Gettysburg, my name is Muriel Rice, and I worked against the Casino four years ago. I counted and delivered 60,000 signatures on petitions against a casino in Gettysburg to the members of the PGCB in the autumn of 2006. I am still a fervent believer that Gettysburg is the wrong choice for a casino.

I have been a resident of Gettysburg for 70 years, and have always been proud to be a member of the Gettysburg community, proud to be a resident of this historic town. We all were aware that to live here was a privilege and felt that we were stewards of its historic past. We saw the visitors come year after year, visiting the battlefield and the cemetery where Lincoln had said his immortal words. It was to this town where everyone, adults and children, came from this nation and all over the world, to visit, to study, and to pay homage to an important historical event.

Please let us continue as stewards of this town which is so unique in our country's history. It touches the heart of those who visit it, and it touches the entire world.

Please let it remain untouched by a casino. In all the world, there is only one Gettysburg.

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August 31,2010
PA Gaming Control Board POB 69060
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Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060
Dear Gaming Control Board:
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JANE SCOTT

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PGCB PO BOX 69060 Harrisburg, PA 17106

Dear Sin:

Cuguet 23, 2010

As thirty-five year residents of gettipburg fannsylvania we would like our voices to be heard regarding the possibility of a casino in Gettipburg.

We oppose the building of a casino and feel it enormally inappropriate for our historic community.

Thank you.

John R Paxem Jr.

Celin Haxon

august 29, 2010 PA. Gaming Control Board, We want you to count us as 2 against any casino in Gettysburg. Lettysburg is a historic destination. . People from all over the world come here because of the battle and the connection to Lincoln. They don't come to gamble. It would seem to me that a casino in any of the other proposed sites would be a much better idea. The Carlisle area is easily accessible to main highways and tourists who use them. Not to mention all the Car Show enthusiests. Even townsts of Settyphung could go to Carlisle if they wanted to gamble, since it's only a short distance away Ilm not familiar with the other proposed sites, but the resort in the to comos with 2000 acres sounds like enother good choice. To why would you choose Gettyskup where there are so many opposed to it: We are seriors on a very limited income, and yes, we have played the slots occasionally, and even with the idea that our taxes would be reduced with a casmo in Settersburg, we are strongly opposed

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Doing the right thing for himself

Editor:

I recently attended the annual meeting of the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College, and found to my disgust that the casino monster has re-surfaced, in a manner akin to Glenn Close's villainess rising up out of the bathtub after Michael Douglas thought he had drowned her in "Fatal Attraction."

In reading the July 22 article, I note that Joseph Lashinger, the majority partner of the proposed casino, has never lived in Gettysburg. So much for the snarky insults I read in the local papers a few weeks ago, hurled by casino advocates at "outsiders" like me, who "come to Gettysburg and tell the locals how to run their lives."

As for Lashinger's characterization of David LeVan as a "man who is always doing the right thing." Tell that to the thousands of railroad workers who lost their jobs when LeVan ran Conrail's price up (lining his own pockets in the process) and saddled CSX and Norfolk Southern with so much debt that they had to shed thousands of good-paying jobs in order to turn a profit.

David LeVan may indeed "always be doing the right thing" — for David LeVan.

Residents of Gettysburg, please, wake up before it's too late.

George Maccarone Wantagh, N.Y.

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Posted on Wed, Apr. 28, 2010

Editorial: No dice on Gettysburg

Since the state Gaming Control Board in 2006 rejected a proposed slots parlor several miles from the Civil War battlefield in Gettysburg, it's hard to see how a full-blown casino just a half-mile south of the hallowed ground is an improvement.

Former Conrail chairman David M. LeVan is back with another proposal to build a casino near where thousands of Union and Confederate soldiers fought and died during the pivotal battle.

Like his failed bid for a gambling license, LeVan's new proposal has rekindled the dispute between civic leaders, merchants, Civil War buffs, and conservationists over whether gambling can coexist with the historic site.

Up for grabs among four bidders around the state is a hotel-based resort license providing for up to 600 slot machines and 50 table games. A decision is months away, so that gives Gettysburg residents time to make their sentiments known to the gaming board, which certainly shouldn't force-feed a casino down the historic town's throat.



"The Bloody Angle" on the Union lines where Pickett's Charge was repulsed on the third day of fighting near Gettysburg on July 3, 1863.

A coalition of historic and preservation groups - including the Civil War Preservation Trust, National Parks
Conservation Association, National Trust for Historic Preservation, and Preservation Pennsylvania - says the new site along storied Emmitsburg Road is simply too close to where soldiers marched.

But with the new Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitors Center open, there's an even greater economic incentive not to mar the experience of battlefield visitors.

It is hard to make the case that the two disparate groups of visitors - gamblers and history buffs - would complement each other. In fact, Gettysburg has thrived for decades largely because it has stayed true to its historic roots.

to: PA Gaming Control Board

To have a casino near bettyphung would be a big mistake!

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C. Hams.



Pennsylvania **Gaming Control Board**



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I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

Name: Rober Melton
Address
Telephone E-Mail
Organization, if any home
COMMENTS: (Please use reverse side if more space is required)

- 1) first of all, I would like to Say I have nothing against gambling. If That's what people want to do, that's apto them. But we do not need a casino in Gettysburg!! Gettysburg is a historia Form. We had some 50,000 men die here vare we going to desecrate thier memory to feed the ego and greed of one Man
- 2) Build it elsewhere in the state. There are casinos in Horris bury, the eastern & Westeren Part of the State, Plus Charlestown W.V. There is nothing in the Center Part of the State. Put It there, where People really need the jobs.
- 3) I was against the Casino the first time, but now where they want to putit, is only a half mile north of my neighbor hood How will we get out of our lane? The infrastructure does not exist to support this. Please don't allow this to

Please sign on back. Happen and destroy our quality of life!

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- 4) The so called tax relief is only \$50 per year on a ! \$400,000 home. Is this worth it to dishonor the memory of the men who fought and died here?
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Thank you Resecptfully, Roser Melton

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

AHn: Board Secretary

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13 OCTOBER 2010

PENNSYLVANIA GAMING CONTROL BOARD P.O. BOX 69060 HARRISBURG, PA 17106

DEAR SIRS:

I have recently learned that the Board is considering a project to locate a gambling casino close by the Gettysburg National Military Park, a proposal I consider sacrireligious. Considering the numbers of soldiers from the North and the South who died there to preserve their region's interest in the nation's major civil unrest, I find it odious that they who sacrificed everything will now be associated with an operation that will net a few investors millions earned principally by proximity to perhaps the most revered of this country's shrines.

PENNSYLVANIA CAN DO BETTER THAN KNUCKLE UNDER TO THE DESIRES OF A FEW WHO WANT TO CASH IN ON THIS MEMORABLE SITE. IN THE PAST THE COMMONWEALTH HAS DONE THE WISHES OF COAL, OIL, TIMBER, AND STEEL MILL OPERATORS BUT LET'S NOT NOW PERMIT CASINO OPERATORS, WHO PRODUCE NOTHING, FOLLOW SUIT.

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Submitted as Written Testimony

RESOLUTION OF THE GETTYSBURG COLLEGE FACULTY OPPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GAMING CASINO IN THE GREATER GETTYSBURG AREA

We the members of the Gettysburg College faculty would like to go on record as opposing the establishment of a proposed gaming casino within a half mile of the Gettysburg Battlefield, and in a rural area within ten miles of our institution and four other institutions of higher education. Gettysburg College is a liberal arts college chartered in 1832, whose students are challenged to exercise their reason, to expand their knowledge of the world, to develop healthy habits of mind and body, and to engage in public service. The proposed casino, we feel, shifts the delicate balance away from the small-town aspects of our local community that have made it an attractive and healthy environment for our students, faculty, employees, and fellow townspeople.

Rationale: This is a pared-down version of the resolution thoroughly debated and passed by the faculty in fall 2005, and we simply wish to restate our position to emphasize that our views on the matter have not altered.

Passed by a Majority Vote on October 7, 2010



Profs vote against casino

Tim Prudente

Posted: 10/09/2010 01:00:00 AM EDT

Faculty members of Gettysburg College voted Thursday in favor of a resolution opposing the Mason-Dixon Resort & Casino application.

The vote was held during the monthly faculty meeting and of those in attendance 64 voted in favor of the resolution while 38 voted against or opted not to vote.

"The proposed casino, we feel, shift the delicate balance away from the small-town aspects of our local community that have made it an attractive and healthy environment for our students, faculty, employees, and fellow townspeople," states the resolution.

The gaming resort has been proposed by Gettysburg businessman David LeVan and partner Joseph Lashinger Jr. and would convert the Eisenhower Hotel & Conference Center into a gaming resort with 600 slot machines and 50 table games.

"Much of the discussion focused on the effect this would have on students," said Professor Emerita of Interdisciplinary and Women's Studies Janet Powers. "People spoke on underage drinking and gambling and addiction problems and the cost to the college of additional counseling personnel to deal with all the problems."

The casino would be located about six miles from the college campus.

"I made the point that if we add up the total number of students, there are 7,600 students within 10 miles of the casino." Powers said, including those at the

Lutheran Theological Seminary and the Harrisburg Area Community College Campus at Gettysburg, among others.

Despite the faculty opposition.

LeVan has been a magnanimous donor to the college and served on the Board of Trustees from 1994 through 2006.

Also an endowed chair, the LeVan Professor of Ethics and Management, was established in his name to ensure scholarship and academic focus on ethical issues in business.

For his efforts, LeVan, a 1968 Gettysburg College graduate, was made a recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award in June 2009. Thursday wasn't the first time members of Gettysburg College faculty objected to the Mason-Dixon proposal. Five months earlier a petition as signed by about 100 faculty members opposing the gaming resort.

Despite the objections, college spokeswoman Kendra Martin said the resolution in no way reflects the views of the administration, which has remained neutral on the issue.

The faculty's recent decision to adopt the resolution may have been spurred by recent news that the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board fined three Category 3 casinos a total of \$150,000 for occurrence where individuals under the age of 21 played slot machines at the Hollywood Casino at Penn National Racccourse, the Harrah's Chester Casino and Racetrack, and the Presque Isle Downs and Casino.

LeVan has submitted an application to the state Gaming Control Board for the last Category 3 gaming license. In 2005, he submitted an application for a larger, stand-alone casino that was turned down by the board, which cited public opposition and



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concerns over the possibility of Maryland gaming as reasons for the denial.

At the time, the college passed a similar resolution in opposition to the casino plan, Powers said.

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Because much of the faculty have already voiced objections, Mason-Dixon spokesman David La Torre said the resolution if far from unexpected.

"This endorsement is not surprising," he said. "Mason-Dixon continues to stand with the clear majority of Adams County residents who support our project as unemployment reaches its highest level since 1984."

Proponents of the gaming resort have touted jobs and the economic benefit a casino would bring to the area. Two statistically valid surveys found more Adams County residents favor the gaming resort than oppose it.



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To:

The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

P.O. Box 69060

Harrisburg, PA 17106-9060

From: Joyce Wentz

October 14, 2010

Regarding: The Mason Dixon proposal

Dear Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Commissioners:

I am writing to ask you to please vote <u>against</u> awarding a license to the Mason Dixon Casino Resort in Gettysburg. My concern is that, of the four greas vying for this one resort gaming license, Gettysburg has the most to lose if the license should be granted to this proposal.

The unique blend of historic tourism, business, farming, and higher education give Adams County a resilience not many rural counties enjoy. Even during these tough economic times, the unemployment rate for Adams County is below the average for both Pennsylvania and the Nation. I do not believe a casino will improve our situation here. Instead it could very well hurt the town economically.

A casino will also change the very essence of this historic town. Gettysburg will no longer be about history alone, but gaming as well. People would have a different reason to come to Gettysburg, one that is not consistent with what Gettysburg is about. Money pouring into the casino will not be spent on historic tourism or in the shops around town.

The developer proposing this casino claims he will draw money from Maryland and Washington, D.C. My husband and I moved to Gettysburg from Maryland, so I know Maryland is just as concerned about keeping money in the state as Pennsylvania is. I do not believe this large "untapped" market will materialize – at least not for very long.

Placing a casino here is not worth the risk of creating a Gettysburg we no longer recognize. Gettysburg should be preserved for the benefit of generations to come, so they might learn about the battle here and its place in American history. Gettysburg is known as an historic town. I hope it is never known as a casino town.

Once again, please vote against the proposal for the Mason Dixon Casino Resort. Help us to keep Gettysburg the family friendly historic town it has been for the last century and a half.

Respectfully,

Joyce Wentz



October 15, 2010

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

Members of the Gaming Control Board:

Please find below the text of a resolution passed by the Gettysburg College Faculty at a regular faculty meeting on October 7, 2010. This resolution passed by a vote of 64 in favor, 16 opposed, and 23 abstentions.

Sincerely,

Jean W. Fletcher, Assoc. Professor of Economics & Chair of Gettysburg College Faculty Council

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Fox News against Mason-Dixon plan. American Legion director talks on

By TIM PRUDENTE The Evening Sun

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Please vote "No!" in support of protecting Gettysburg's vibrant heritage tourism industry.

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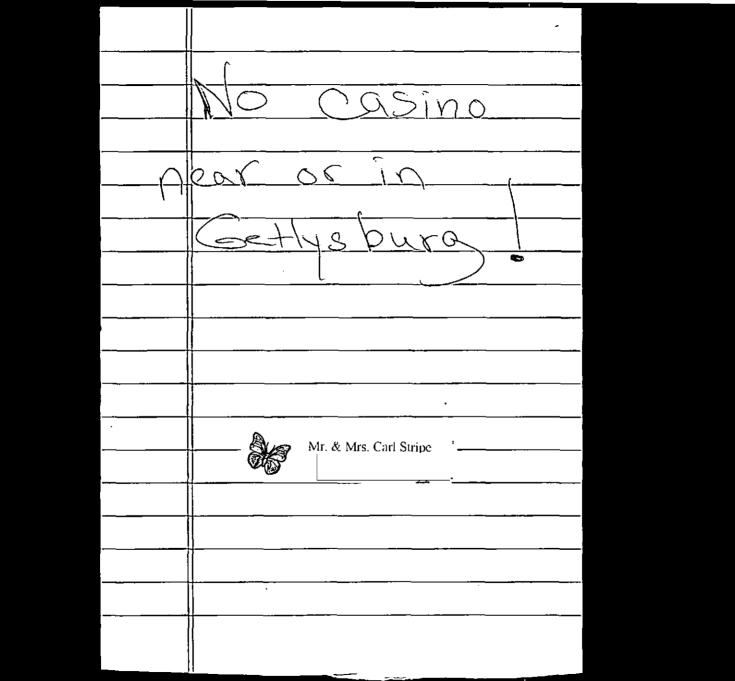
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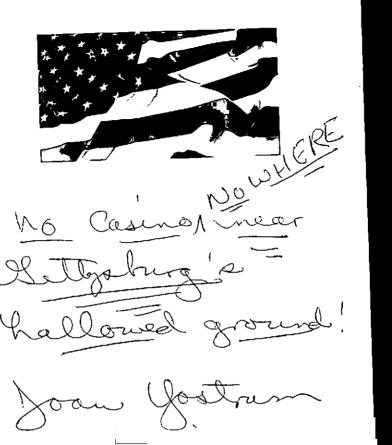
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October 12, 2010
PA Gaming Control Board
P.O. Box 69060
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Dear Board Members:
We all know the significance of Gettyslung (July 1-3, 1863),
so I will not add to it at this point. Since my first visit
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historic sites, I have always thought of Gettyelung as the best
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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

William E. Tróxell, Mayor

September 8, 2010

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

To whom it may concern:

In 1990 Congress established a boundary around the Gettysburg Battlefields. The National Park Service recommended a boundary was necessary to enable them to protect and preserve the areas over which the Battle of Gettysburg was fought.

When Lincoln declared in his Gettysburg Address, "we cannot dedicate...we can not consecrate ...we can not hallow this ground. The brave men living and dead who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract," he was speaking of the ground where men had fought and became casualties of the battle.

The ground Lincoln spoke of in his Address is the ground that is considered today to be the hallowed grounds at Gettysburg.

Some of the strongest opposition to the Mason Dixon Casino site is predicated upon the supposition that the casino would be located on hallowed grounds.

That supposition has been repeated over and over and has created an *emotional* negative response to the proposed Mason Dixon Casino.

Actually, the proposed Mason Dixon Casino site is well beyond the nearest edge of the established boundary or even the periphery of the areas deemed necessary and defined by the National Park Service and Congress to protect and preserve the battlefield.

If the casino had been proposed to be located in Gettysburg, I would have opposed that location. If the casino was proposed to be located in areas considered to be on hallowed ground I would have also opposed that location.

BUT IT IS NOT!

Gettysburg itself is not slated to be a direct recipient of the funds which will be generated by the casino but those funds will support and contribute to the citizens and the many needs of our sister communities.

Gettysburg is a tourist supported community, visitation is the life blood of our town, and any additional visitation from those visiting the casino would help our businesses to continue to support the needs of nearly 3,000,000 people who come to Gettysburg each year to study and enjoy our history.

It should also be recognized that the support for our visitors is only made possible by property taxes and business contributions and that the tax rate in Gettysburg is the highest tax rate in Adams County. The additional visitation would certainly contribute to our economy.

In addition, the Gettysburg area does not have the industry population to support the employment needs of our citizens. Each year, many of our young people upon reaching working age are finding it necessary to commute many miles to secure jobs or leave their families, their homes and move to other communities.

The Gettysburg area and our environs would most certainly benefit from the additional employment and other opportunities a casino located at the Mason Dixon site would provide.

I am submitting this letter to encourage a favorable decision for the approval of the Mason Dixon Casino.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this issue and to provide some information I feel has been overlooked and is essential for your consideration.

Respectfully,

William E. Troxell

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Linda Dillon

August 5, 2010

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

Dear Gaming Control Board Members,

I am writing this letter in support of the Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino which hopefully will win approval from your Board and will become an important addition and source of income as well as employment to Cumberland Township, Gettysburg and all of Adams County.

The Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino would be an asset to our community in many beneficial ways. Gettysburg was once a town which offered a variety of employment to citizens of our county. We had a nationally known furniture manufacturer in Gettysburg. There were a number of garment factories and shoe factories which drew employees from all over the county. We had several hardware stores and clothing stores; so many opportunities for employment in the community. A nationally known tile company is located in the community but it undergoes downsizing every year. Schindler Elevator Corporation (previously Westinghouse) once was a huge employer and now lay-offs occur regularly.

The furniture factory, the shoe factory, the garment factories are all gone now. Gettysburg is essentially a land-locked community. We can't grow outwardly any longer and we need to use existing facilities in the community to expand our employment capabilities. Mason-Dixon will do that.

You will hear from many people from outside of our community - people who have no idea where the current Eisenhower Inn & Conference Center is located. People who don't understand that a facility exists, people who have no idea where the structure is in correlation with the Gettysburg National Military Park, people who have believed mistruths expounded upon by community members who do not want to see positive change to our community.

It is wrong to allow people who have no vested interest in Gettysburg or the citizens of this community. determine what kind of growth and change is most beneficial for us. Early in July residents of the county received new property reassessments. Some taxes were lowered but many, many more taxes were raised and many people will not be able to afford those tax increases. The Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino will benefit so many citizens by providing jobs, tax relief and increased tourism.

Please dear Gaming Control Board Members, think of the benefits this proposal will bring to Gettysburg. David LeVan has been a fine, upstanding citizen in Gettysburg. His kindness and generosity toward the community is well known. Mr. LeVan would never do anything to harm our community. Do not listen to those who will defame him and decry his commitment to the community.

With hope and faith in your ability to make the right decision I thank you for considering my letter.

Regards,

Linda K. Dillon

Dear Members of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board,

I love my hometown of Gettysburg. I hesitate to write this letter as I am still in business at 76 years of age. A few people attack anyone who supports the casino being considered in Gettysburg.

It is now legal for casinos to operate in Pennsylvania. To me, it only makes sense to place the last legal casino in southern Pennsylvania. Gettysburg appears to be the location to draw people to this untapped area.

My wife and I like to eat out in downtown Gettysburg and we often talk to people from other states. They often ask what we do here for fun, telling us, they toured the battlefield, looked at the monuments and took a ghost tour. Many ask questions like "why did they take down the tower?" "What happened to the nice little park we took our children to (Fantasyland)?" "We had planned to stay here longer, but we will be going to Lancaster tomarrow."

It would be good for members of your board to spend an evening talking to some of these tourists if you truly want to know how anxious they are foe some activity to keep them her for the number of days they had planned.

Please do not listen to all the propaganda put out there by the No Casino folks. Next year the re-enactors will be here along with the motorcycles for bike week. We need them. Many of us rely on the revenue they bring to our town, however, people oppose them also.

Now to the personal side. My wife and I enjoy going to a casino. We each take an allotted amount of money and sometimes we win and sometimes we lose. I have never been approached by a hooker or someone selling drugs, as is claimed in the local papers. I have, however, experienced here at my business in Gettysburg, a prostitute working out of one of my units. Also there was a major drug bust with a Chicago connection at my business.

These are true facts that I would not normally discuss. However, it is time to support someone trying to bring jobs and tax relief, especially since the new tax assessments came out.

The casino will provide a new form of entertainment for those who wish to participate and I doubt if it will disturb any of the courageous veterans who fought for our freedom'. I have heard that a little gambling went on back in those days also.

It is very rare to have people like David and Jennifer LeVan living and working here in our town and sharing their gifts with all of us.

Being the last casino license awarded in the state, he will have a lot of competition. We say thanks for offering jobs and helping all the small businesses who are struggling in this economy.

This is an Adams County citizen taxpayer cause, not people from out of county and state.

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TO:

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

FROM:

William Callahan

SUBJECT:

Casino License in Adams County

For what it is worth I am firmly in favor of the casino license application of the Mason-Dixon Resorts, LP. I believe it will be a boon to the local and state economies as well as a respectful neighbor to the national historic battlefield of Gettysburg.

William Pallahan

PA. GAMING CONTROL BOARD P.O BOX 69060 HARRISBURG, PA. 17106

SIRS!

Zam a native of East Berlin Pa. (adams Co.) I have resided in East Berlin all my life with the exception of moving 5 years ago to a netirement village, The Briethben Home Community New Oxford, Pa. New Oxford, Da.

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I admire what Gettyslung Community has done in the restoration and conservation The historic aspects of the war. I have towned The battlefield witnessed a Civil war reenactment and was present June 28-29, 1991 for the dedication of a monument placed on the Gethplurg Square

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June 10, 2010

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

RE: Casino - YES

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been solicited from the No Casino group and wanted you to know there are citizens that do want the Casino. We say YES, Casino.

With much of the town of Gettysburg already a tourist destination, the Casino will only improve and add to the variety of options for families. Yes, families. After all, Vegas is a family resort town.

Please, make it possible for the Casino to become a vital business in the state of Pennsylvania. Please, make it possible for the Casino to provide jobs for Pennsylvania citizens. Please, make it possible for the Casino to add the financial benefits to Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,

Dorothy J. Fager

Susan Walton

May 3, 2010

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

Re: Application for License by Mason-Dixon Resort & Casino, Gettysburg, PA

Dear Board Members:

I support the application by Mason-Dixon Resort & Casino for a license to operate a casino in Gettysburg.

Gambling is not my activity of choice, but I do occasionally enjoy driving to Charlestown, WV, for the day to play the slot machines. Many of the residents of Adams County travel to Charlestown, WV, to do likewise on a regular basis. It would be a plus to have a casino in our back yard, so to speak, where Adams County residents, could enjoy the day and, along with other Adams County residents who will not visit the casino, would benefit from the revenue generated by the casino. Tax relief would be a major benefit for Adams County residents. Much needed employment during construction of the casino and the jobs that will result when the casino is up and running is an equally important fact, if not more so. Jobs in the Gettysburg area are scarce and many people have been laid off.

Businesses in the area would also reap the rewards of a casino. The casino will bring people to the area who would not otherwise visit. When visiting a new area, a majority of people will explore to see what else is available. Local shops, restaurants, museums, and other attractions in the vicinity of the proposed casino would thrive year round rather than just during the summer months.

Opponents to the casino license in Gettysburg continually cite their reasoning as the casino should not be near "hallowed ground" and that it would be a disgrace and an insult toward the soldiers who fought and died

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on the battlefields of Gettysburg. The proposed casino will not be on a battlefield. A battlefield cannot be seen from the proposed casino site. The proposed casino cannot be seen from any battlefield. A bar/restaurant and a large hotel was built adjacent to the National Cemetery in Gettysburg. There are a line of fast food restaurants within site of battlefields. What happened to the "hallowed grounds" when all the other establishments were constructed?

Also, the opponents say that a casino would bring crime to the area. According to a report from other casinos operating in Pennsylvania, increased crime has not occurred. Who frequents the casinos? The majority are 60 years of age and older. Are the opponents fearful of the senior citizen population being criminals who will possibly burglarize homes and businesses, rob people at gun point, vandalize, break into and steal vehicles, commit murder, or prostitute themselves?

I was on board with the proposed Gettysburg casino and license application four years ago and definitely agree with the new casino proposal.

Thank you for giving the Mason-Dixon Resort & Casino license application very serious consideration and, ultimately, granting it the license.

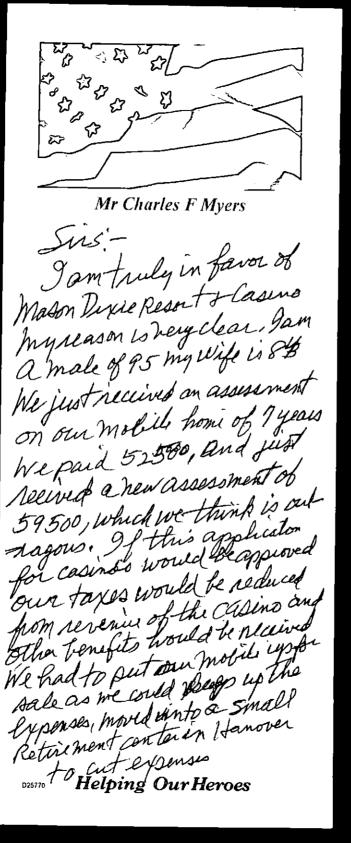
Susan Walton

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Senior Citizen and Adams County Resident

Pro Casino Adams County Supporter

for the Mason-Dixon Resort & Casino



CAROL A REBERT

August 3, 2010

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

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this letter in support of the Mason-Dixon Casino project in Cumberland Twp. near Gettysburg. I am a life long resident of Adams County, as well as my family ancestry, which dates back to pre Civil War times. I believe that the casino will be an economic benefit, not only to Pennsylvania, but also provide a catalyst to encourage new and diversified businesses to come to our area.

The battlefield, and the rich history that surrounds it is no doubt an important part of our heritage and I do not feel that the casino initiative will detract from that in any way. I believe that the casino promoters are dedicated to protecting the battlefield as well, and will also provide much needed jobs and tax relief to our distressed area. They have pledged to give preference to Adams County for casino employment, and goods and services that can be provided by local businesses and merchants.

Unemployment in Adams County is at an all time high. The competition for jobs is fierce. Due to the recent tax reassessment some resident's property taxes have tripled or worse. The time has come for Adams County to have an opportunity to begin to recover. I think the casino will be a good starting point.

Thank you for your consideration and in taking the time to read this letter.

Cordially,

Signature



Name: Lynn Anne Sukeena

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

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TelephoneE-Mail_
Organization, if any
COMMENTS: (Please use reverse side if more space is required)
GCB should only listen to PA residents and further
only to residents within the county for each
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is protected by federal law and is not and
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I, Lynn Annalykean verify that the information contained in this written comment is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



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September 3, 2010

To Whom It May Concern,

We are strongly in favor of the casino proposed for Gettysburg. The casino would bring badly needed jobs to the area and offer some tax relief. Also, the structure that already exists is not next to or even near the battlefield.

Many of the people speaking out against the casino are not residents of Adams County. They are tourists and history buffs who have no stake in the future of the county and Gettysburg itself. This area consists of much more than the battlefield. Real people with real lives make up the county and borough, not just people with cameras and those dressed up in period clothes. The residents should be the only ones with input into the final decision on allowing or not allowing a casino.

Please take into consideration the financial boost to this area with the addition of a casino. The patrons of the casino could also add to the incomes of local restaurants, hotels and gift shops. The idea that all casino visitors would just gamble, cause trouble and leave is misguided.

Thank you for the opportunity given to these residents of Gettysburg to speak out in favor of the proposed casino. We hope that your ruling will be favorable.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Davis, II

∕Julia S. Davis

Pennsylvania State Gaming Commission PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA. 17106

Subject: Approval of Gettysburg gaming licence

Dear Commissioner's:

I am a resident of Adams county, Union Township, Littlestown school district.

I did not sign up to speak on Tuesday at the hearing held in Gettysburg ,but I was in attendance for a few hours. The Adams county Sheriff made what, I think, was a very telling point on the state of Adams County when he gave the property foreclosures numbers over the past few years. This number will only increase if the Casino licences is not granted to Adams County.

You may know the Adams county Commissioners were forced by a judge ,as a settlement in a class action law suit, to implement a property tax re assessment. I have lived at this residence since 1969. The new proposed property tax will be more than double what I paid this year. I thought this was outrageous. But when I went to a meeting last month at the Gettysburg Middle School, attended by more than 1200 people, I found out most had a similar increase or even worse. There are more than a few people living in Adams county that are retired and living on a fixed income, I am one of those.

I was struck by the comments of those opposed to the casino in Gettysburg at their self centered out look at this project. As long as nothing interferes with their little space they are fine. They show little concern for the area or the people living here, even when they also may live here. I wonder where they get their rose colored glasses?

In closing I will state Adams County **NEED'S** this Casino. Do I think my taxes will go down because of a casino? No but it will help stabilize the tax base.

Thank you for this opportunity to make my opinion heard.

Sincerely;

Sincerely;

Jeffrey Bowers

Eleanora H. Dillon

September 2, 2010

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

Dear Gaming Control Board Members,

I am writing to you in support of the Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino. At the age of 84 (and having just recently survived a near death illness) I feel that my input as a lifelong resident of Adams County is important. I have lived more than half of those years with a Gettysburg address.

A dear friend is in danger of losing her house due to the recent property reassessment. She worked two jobs for many years but now she is dealing with ill health as well as caring for two over 90 year old family members.

Gettysburg needs an economy boost desperately. Incomes are low in this area, taxes are high and due to increase next year and I believe that Mason-Dixon would be an asset to our community.

Having worked low paying jobs my entire life - from picking cherries, apples, peaches, etc; working in a food processing plant; sewing in garment factories; laboring as a waitress; working at a dry cleaners (which has been out of business for years) and other jobs I know how important a salary is to a family. I raised six children and sometimes it was difficult to be a wife, mother and a full time employee too.

I can also tell you that while the salary is important it is equally important just to be employed and say to yourself "I have a job and I can try to be self reliant."

Please don't let the naysayer's from outside of Adams County and even those from outside of the state decide Gettysburg's future. The majority of the residents want the casino and feel that it will not be detrimental in any way to the Battlefield or to our town.

With gratitude,

Eleanora H. Dillon

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

September 2, 2010

To whom it may concern:

At this time we would like to voice our opinion on the Casino that we are trying to get established in Gettysburg, PA.

We are very much in favor of the gambling slots. We feel it will provide many jobs for the community, help education, and help the senior population so that their taxes are not so ridiculously high.

How can one say that it would affect the hallowed ground when you have new hotels/motels being built on the same so called hallowed ground. Would this not be a contradiction?????

We also live in this area and have for many years – we feel it is time for us to voice our opinion on this matter

We are fully supportive of the proposed Resort and Gaming operation.

Sincerely,

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President, East Coast belighter Inc.
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ATTh: Mickey Kare Board Secretary Pennsylvania

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WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

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ATTn: Mickey Kare Board Secretary



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



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

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September 9, 2001

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

I had hoped to testify at the August 31 casino hearing in Gettysburg, but for various reasons was unable to do so.

I lieu of that, I am enclosing prepared remarks which I hope you will take into consideration in making your decision regarding the Mason-Dixon application. I am also enclosing a copy of a letter submitted to the editor of the *Hanover Evening Sun*, responding to its article concerning the testimony of my fellow Gettysburg council member, Mr. Graham Weaver.

I endorse without qualification the Mason-Dixon proposal. I hope you will decide in favor of it.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Theodore H. Streeter

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GOOD —— LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS TED STREETER, AND I SPEAK IN FAVOR OF A CASINO IN THE GETTYSBURG COMMUNITY. ALTHOUGH A GETTYSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBER, I SPEAK AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, AS THE BOROUGH COUNCIL HAS NOT TAKEN A STAND ON THIS ISSUE. I WILL NOT ADDRESS THE HISTORICAL ARGUMENT, SINCE THE GUARDIAN OF THE BATLEFIELD, THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, HAS EXPRESSED NO OPPOSITION TO THE CASINO, AND THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME. NOR WILL I ADDRESS THE MORAL ISSUE, AS I CONSIDER MORALITY TO BE AN INDIVIDUAL CHOICE, NOT ONE THAT ANY ONE PERSON OR GROUP CAN OR SHOULD IMPOSE UPON OTHERS. RATHER, MY ARGUMENT IS PURELY ECONOMIC.

THE GETTYSBURG COMMUNITY IS BOTH A BENEFICIARY AND A VICTIM OF ITS PAST. THE FORMER BECAUSE THE BATLEFIELD ATTRACTS MILLIONS OF VISITORS A YEAR. THE LATTER BECAUSE THAT VISITATION RESTRICTS EXPANSION OF THE COMMUNITY ECOMOMY. THAT IS, UNLIKE OTHER APPLICANTS, THE COMMUNITY ESSENTIALLY OPENS FOR BUSINESS IN APRIL AND CLOSES IN NOVEMBER. AND, UNLIKE OTHER APPLICANTS, THE INTERESTS OF BATTLEFIELD VISITORS, LIMITED OVERWHELMINGLY TO THE CIVIL WAR, RESTRICT DIVERSIFICATION OF THE COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL BASE.

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MANY CASINO PATRONS WILL HAVE INTERESTS OTHER THAN THE CIVIL WAR, WHICH WILL LEAD TO THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW SHOPS, RESTAURANTS, ETC., BY ENTREPRENEURS EAGER TO CATER TO THOSE INTERESTS. LASTLY, A CASINO WILL PRODUCE, DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY, YEAR ROUND, STEADY EMPLOYMENT. I HAVE HEARD THOSE WHO DENIGRATE CASINO JOBS. I CAN ONLY COMMENT THAT TO A PERSON SITTING AT THE KITCHEN TABLE WITH BILLS TO PAY, MOUTHS TO FEED, AND NO JOB, ANY EMPLOYMENT ADDS DIGNITY AND A MUCH NEEDED PAYCHECK TO ONE'S LIFE.

IN CONCLUSION, WHILE I APPRECIATE THE PASSION OF THOSE WHO PRESENT THE HISTORICAL AND MORAL ARGUMENTS, THOSE AGRUMENTS ARE SUBJECTIVE IN NATURE. BUT, WE HAVE TO LIVE IN REALITY, AND TO ME THE REALITY OF OUR COMMUNITY ECONOMIC SITUATION DICTATES THAT WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANY OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE IT. A CASINO PROVIDES THAT OPPORTUNITY, SO I URGE THE COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE MASON-DIXON CASINO APPLICATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Main Identity

From:

<news@eveningsun.com>

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Thursday, September 02, 2010 4:04 PM

Subject:

Letter to the Editor

Marc: Please consider the following for publication. Thanks, THS

Gettysburg Borough Council President, John Butterfield, opted at the onset of the casino issue not to involve the Council because the proposed site is not within the Borough and, unlike the previous Crossroads application, the Borough does not stand to benefit directly from it. Consequently, he saw no need to again risk an acrimonious Council division or to re-experience the circus-like atmosphere of the previous Crossroads hearing.

I would just like to emphasize that the anti-casino testimony offered by Councilman Graham Weaver at the August 31 hearings in Gettysburg, as reported on page 7A, September 1 Evening Sun, was entirely an individual effort and in no way reflects any official position held by the Gettysburg Borough Council. Mr. La Torre is absolutely correct in stating that there is at least equally strong support on the Council, to include the Mayor, for the Mason-Dixon project.

Ted Streeter

Gettysburg Borough Council

Pa Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg Pa 17106

August 28, 2010

To Whomever concerned:

I am writing to implore you to please grant the casino license to Gettysburg to open the Mason Dixon Casino. We desperately need this addition to Gettysburg for Jobs and to help with tax dollars. I am sure you are aware of the raise in taxes for Adams County next year. People here can not afford this, as many people are losing jobs, Businesses are closing, and homes are going up for sheriff sale.

I know there are some opposed to the Casino. These are people either in good paying jobs or people with money mostly. Give help to those of us that need help. The following list of people would like to go on record for this casino license to come to Gettysburg.

Thank You, Sincerely,

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HI GUYS &GALS OF THE PGCB. I have been to the "PARK" 4 times during my 69 4RS on this earth. I have stayed in the town of GETTYS BURG CHOTED and shapped in the stores the THAT SIT by the boundary of the PARK. I am all in FAVOR of the CASINO. SOME JOBS 4 TAXES SHOULD RESULT. SINCELRY, Jim EGAN

Members of The Pennsylvania. Gaming Board,

Thank you for spending those long hours at our hearing here in Gettysburg. I just got home from making my third trip around the circle in Gettysburg today. This was a beautiful fall day and I could have parked on the circle or on any block East or West of the circle just by pulling into a spot. No jockeying to parallel park. This is September and this month and next month used to be the high months for senior tourists!

When people travel, they want things to do. Mr. LeVan has plans to make Mason Dixon Casino a family fun place. On Wednesday, after the hearings, my wife stopped at the Lincoln Diner where she met a lady from Utah. She had been here for a day and a half and remarked how beautiful it is here. Then she asked, "what else there is to do?" "I had planned to spend two more days here." She was asking for directions to Harper's Ferry. My wife listed several more things she could do here trying to be sure they hadn't missed anything. One day and a half doesn't seem like much time, but if there was something else to do, I'm sure people would stay longer.

I'm the guy with 180 pro signatures on my petitions and only 24 refusals. Why am I writing?, because most all signatures were from residents of Gettysburg or nearby towns. I see these people often as I go about my daily business. They keep asking "did you push for jobs?" I hope I did enough to convince you that we truly need jobs. I am also enclosing a few letters to the editor that appeared in the local paper over the last few days. Finally, The Gettysburg Times is printing more positive views.

Forget about a casino in Maryland. If David LeVan is granted a gaming license, I know he will be successful. There are many buses coming to town and the folks on them all need some night time entertainment.

Now, may I bore you with one more statement. 40 years ago, my wife, father, mother and I served up to 40 or 50 buses in one week.

We used to own Distelfink. You might ask, how is that possible? The answer is good food and lots of cold drinks. You see, most of the buses back then were not air conditioned. Also 2 packs of cigarettes and a loaf of bread to the bus drivers didn't hurt either. Please give Mason Dixon and David LeVan a chance to prove that Gettysburg is the place for the last casino.

Sincerely

Cecil Sandoe

Foresees family-friendly resort

Editor, Gettysburg Times:

from fiction regarding the proposed restaurants, a billiard room, Virtual casino in Cumberland Township, I - Reality Thrill, Ride, Virtual Reality examined numerous other areas in reports, from Pennsylvania that are already home to a gaming establishment.

From the multitude of news articles, it appears that almost all of the opposition's claims have never materialized. The one thing that did, however, concern me was the statement that the casino would not be family. friendly... It was then that I came across the Mason-Dixon website, and what an eye-opener it was.

There, listed for all to see, were the specific aspects of the amenities for the proposed resort. In addition to the

small-resort-sized casino, the complex While attempting to sort out fact, would house both gourmet and casual newspaper - Pebble Beach Golf, arcade games and rides, both indoor and outdoor soccer fields, both indoor and outdoor swimming pools, a 36-hole miniature golf course, a 14-acre fishing lake with paddle boats, batting cages, basketball courts, voileyball courts, an outdoor pavilion as well as two professionally designed go-kart tracks.

> ==If this is not family friendly lawish= someone would kindly inform me as . to what, exactly, constitutes a familyfriendly facility.

Linda Dillon Gettysburg

No relevant casino

Editor, Gettysburg Times:

I am writing about the just completed hearings conducted by the state Gaming Board.

I was in attendance and was truly amazed by the magnificent support displayed for the Mason-Dixon Resort. To me, it appeared that the early estimates of 60-plus percent support were on the low side. I would now estimate support closer to 70 to 75 percent on a county-wide basis.

Every single argument made by the opposition was rendered invalid during testimony. Even the religious pleas are inconsequential because state law permits gambling which invalidates any moral or religious

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argument.

Even the "heritage tourism" argument, made popular locally by an outside interest, was shown to be a fabrication as evidenced by the letter from the Honorable Paul-E. Winfield, mayor of Vicksburg, Miss., which was read during testimony.

Absent the misinformation and lies propagated by the opposition, there remains absolutely no relevant objection to the proposed resort.

. I now anxiously await the grand opening of the Mason-Dixon Resort and Casino.

> Diana Llauget Gettysburg

Why casino is needed

Editor, Gettysburg Times:

My wife and I have lived in Cumberland Township, since 1955 and have seen only low-paying jobs since moving here. That is the reason we strongly support the proposed Mason Dixon Resort and Casino.

I don't know who Susan Paddock is, where she came from or even why she moved here, but she cannot speak for me or mine. It appears that she, and No Casino Gettysburg, have even gone so far as to join or help form a new, group, Concerned Citizens of Cumberland Township Could this be because the township supervisors didn't vote on the casino the way her husband, a member of the planning commission, wanted them to?

Then there is the notion that the reenactors will not return to Gettysburg if a casino is opened: This is nonsense, Re-enactors love what they do and spend a lot of money on clothesand equipment. To suggest they would give up the opportunity to dress in their uniforms and display their equipment in Gettysburg, or anywhere else, for that matter, is ludicrous. As a matter of fact, if the casino opens, I'm sure an adequate number of re-enactors will partake of the offerings, in uniform.

There is a period from November through March that is very slow for our local merchants resulting in numerous seasonal local jobs. The increased visitation resulting from the casino will enable many businesses to convert those seasonal jobs to full-time employment.

Mason-Dixon will in no way interfere with the Gettysburg battlefield. In fact much less so than the hotel built almost on Evergreen Cemetery and the numerous businesses built on the field of Pickett's Charge.

No Casino Gettysburg is the dis-.

Tinct minority here and anyone not living here and not paying taxes here should not have any say in this matter. The local residents are the ones bearing all of the costs here, not any of the ill-informed outsiders [who], as such, have no rightip offer their opinions.

Perhaps, with the additional revenue generated by Mason-Dixon, the county would be able to afford to retain Green Acres without raising taxes in order to do so. Perhaps our county taxes can be reduced or at least, stabilized.

My wife and I are now senior citizens and we are finding it harder and harder to survive in Cumberland Township and Adams County. We just might, some day, need the county home as will many other county residents.

What this boils down to is that we need jobs. We need tax relief. We need the added revenue. We need Mason-Dixon.

Robert Mallette Sr. Gettysburg I hope that all you at the Gaming Control Board do not listen to Gov. Rendell's comments on PCN, or treat his comments with any more gravity than any other Pa. citizen. I can't believe he said such a thing with Pa. in an economic depression and the severe state deficit which was caused by his leadership of the past years. With that in mind, I would not think he would be the best judge as to where to locate the casino that would be most beneficial to the state of PA. He said David Le Van was his friend and he love's him and that he contributed to his campaigns. With a friend that would throw you under the bus after you have severed his needs, you don't need enemy's.

Gettysburg needs this casino in the worst possible way. Putting a casino in an area that already has two or three would not bring more tax revenue and jobs to the state or the community. Gettysburg needs the casino to keep it and the battlefield going. There have been many businesses that have shown a high level of interest in locating to the Gettysburg area but have been holding out waiting for your decision to grant Mason Dixon the last remaining license. One of the largest businesses showing interest in Gettysburg is a hotel resort that would include a hotel, a water park, an Imax theater and a live theater. It has been holding off for 4 yrs and have recently heard that if and when the casino comes to Gettysburg it will also go in immediately. That would mean even more jobs and more revenue for the state and community. There is no water park close to this area and it would bring in more people from MD, VA, and WVA. The water park resort would be located in close proximity to the proposed location of the casino. I had a shop near the casino location and lots of my customers asked what was there to do in the Gettysburg area for adults and kids after touring the battlefield, museums and shops and I always had to tell them, nothing.

So, please listen to what people want and not to people that just don't want change in their lives. These are the same people that voted against the water park resort and the existing Boyd's Bear Country Museum and gift shop. They just don't want progress to affect their lives.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Sandra Brawner

September 18, 2010

Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board C/O Board Secretary P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg Pa. 17106

To Whom It May Concern:

Although we are from California, my husband and I have visited Gettysburg many times. We love the history and every time we go there we learn something new about the history of our country. We love to shop, eat out and mingle with people in your community.

The one problem we have is that in the evening (remember, we are from California and lead a very busy lifestyle) there is nothing to do. For us being on vacation and resting is not sitting around doing nothing, it is doing things that we don't have time to do at home.

When we heard that a casino may go in at the Eisenhower Center in Gettysburg, we were thrilled. We have 2 casinos within 30 minutes of our home but do not have time to take advantage of the entertainment there. So being able to go out later in the evening, have a bite to eat, play a little blackjack and visit with people from your area and others from around your area really sparked our interest.

In reading the articles on line and following the developments there, I find it hard to believe that anyone in their right mind would deprive these people of jobs and a way to stimulate the economy. When we do go to the casinos here in our area, we do not experience any violence, rudeness, drunken or disorderly conduct. We take an allotted amount of money and when we lose it we stop gambling. If we win some money, great, we go out the next day and spend it in your community. This seems like a win-win for Gettysburg.

I hope that you do not listen to the naysayers who want to put a stop to this endeavor and deprive these people of making a living for their families and giving tourists a place to go when the rest of the town shuts down. What better way to help stimulate our economy.

Thank you for allowing me to air my concerns regarding this very important decision that could make or break the economy in this wonderful little town that played such an important role in the history of our country.

Jon and Mary Morse

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Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board PO Box 69060 Harrisburg, PA

Dear Board Members,

I wish to offer my thoughts for your consideration on the proposed casino near Gettysburg. Being that a slots/table game facility is recognized as a legitamate business in our state, and the duty of the gaming commission is to select a qualified applicant that would best benefit the majority of Pennsylvania residents, I am very much in favor of your approving the Gettysburg site. The geographic location and the familiarity of the historic attractions make it the number one choice.

Three years ago the gaming board rejected the Crossroads Gettysburg application because of their concerns raised by battlefield preservationists through letters, petitions, and e-mails. Eventhough a lot of the sentiment relayed to the board and general public was based on mis-information (e.g. The NPS was allowing the facility to be built on part of the battlefield.), what disturbed area residents was that it set a precedent of letting out of state people influence political decisions within Pennsylvania. That's "representation without taxation".

In my opinion, the casino would pose no threat to the battlefield nor related tourism industry. Consequently, it will benefit the existing attractions with increased visitors and revenue.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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John Sokolovich

October 12,2010 Tennsylvania Laming Control Board O. O. Bat 69060 Harrishury Pa. 14106-9060 My name is Jane Kessel Jama resident of I busfield, alams County, Pa Jam 100 To en Support of Mason Dixon Gesort and Caseno en adams County, I respect the Battlefield but the Caserio would not be on the Battlefield. Mr. David Levan has done so many good things for the Gettiphung area and asks nothing in return. He is aware of what is Ropponing in asome County Senie the reassessment, there are pages of skeriff seles in our local paper. We not jobs and tap relief. I think adams County would be the hast place for a Caseno and be the most herefee il for the State. Thank ifour. Jane & Lessel

October 12, 2010

Members of the Pa. Gaming Board,

I just got a call from someone who represents No Casino Gettysburg, asking me to write a letter for them. I asked, "what should I say?" Their answer was, anything you can think of that is negative.

This is my last letter to you, as I know you are close to making a decision. As you know, I fully support a casino here in Adams County. On Monday, I needed some office supplies from Staples. As I neared the check out counter, I heard several ladies and gentlemen talking about having been to Charlestown, West Virginia gambling over the weekend. Two were laughing. They said we don't play golf, or cards or bingo, so we take our money to Charlestown and spend it. It' a few hours of fun. We take a certain amount of money and when it's gone, we come home. It's always more fun when we win. They also were saying, that they guessed chances for a casino here are slim to none.

After writing all this, the one point I want to make is that apparently, we Adams Countians are loseing tax money if you choose another location. It is a very pleasant drive to West Virginia but that doesn't help us with jobs or taxes.

Yes, I'm that same man who had 180 people to sign his petitions while only 22 refused. That should say something.

I did as the lady asked me. I wrote to you but, totally 100% for the casino.

Thank You,

Cecil D. Sandoe

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Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board P.O. Box 69060 Harrisburg, Pa. 17106 – 9060

SUBJECT: Mason Dixon Resort and Casino

Dear Sirs:

My name is Alex Kessel. I have considered Adams County my home for more than seventy years. I'm a retired USAF Colonel. In the past I've served Franklin Township in Adams County, as planning commissioner and Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for twenty plus years, and served two years on the Fairfield Borough Planning Commission. I was elected to the Fairfield Borough Council in 2009.

I am writing this letter to encourage you to grant the Mason Dixon Resort a Class 3 Resort Casino license.

I applaud David Levan for what he has done and plans to do for Pennsylvania, Adams County and the Gettysburg area. If he is granted the Class 3 license I 'm convinced the Resort Casino under his guidance will be a winning proposition for all of Pennsylvania.

Isn't putting the license in the care of someone you can trust to generate the most tax revenue for Pennsylvania an objective of the gaming board? Isn't locating the license where it will generate the most tax revenue for Pennsylvania the objective of the Gaming Board?

You have the opportunity to do just that. Please grant Mr. Levan the Class 3 resort Casino license.

Alex M. Kessel

Attachment

ADAMS COUNTY, PA

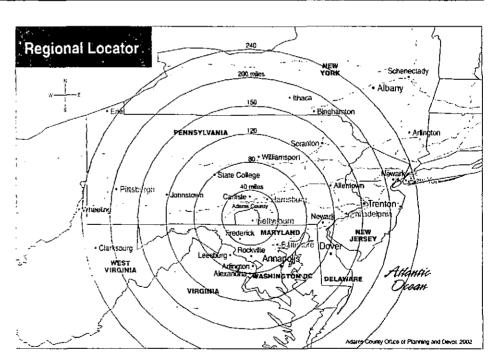
LOCATION

Adams County is situated along the Mason-Dixon line in south-central Pennsylvania. Harrisburg, the state capital is located 36 miles north of Gettysburg, the county seat, while the outer suburbs of Washington, DC and Baltimore are within an hour's drive from many county communities. Surrounding communities include Cumberland, Franklin and York Counties in Pennsylvania, and Carroll and Frederick Counties in Maryland.

Gettysburg sits at 79° 49' latitude and 77° 13' latitude.

Mileage to prominent markets from Gettysburg:

Baltimore, MD	58 miles
Philadelphia. PA	125 miles
Harrisburg, PA	36 miles
Pittsburgh, PA	180 miles
New York, NY	224 miles
Washington, DC	79 miles



PLUS 2 Million TOURISTS.

Sandy Brawner

From:

"Sandy Brawner"

Date:

Friday, September 10, 2010 9:49 AM

To: Subject: <pgcb@state.pa.us>
PRO Gettysburg Casino

I want to make it perfectly clear that I am very much in favor of locating a casino in the area of Gettysburg.

There was an article by Larry A. Hicks in The York Dispatch dated 09/02/2010 which expressed a common sense explanation of the driving forces behind the opposing sides in the debate over locating a casino in the Gettysburg area. The following is a portion of that article and I quote:

"There is no doubt about it, the town (of Gettysburg) itself is hallowed ground.

But that didn't prevent merchants from setting up shop in every direction. There are the dozens of retail shops -- most selling items that are nothing more than replicas, reproductions or knockoffs of actual Civil War equipment, uniforms, clothing, furniture, etc. There is little authentic about most of them.

And let's not forget the bed and breakfasts, the restaurants, the strip malls, the tourist traps -- the ghost tours, for example, that are so popular with tourists because they are reported to be haunted by Civil War dead."

"So let's at least be honest about our motives, regardless of which side we take in the discussion.

For those opposing the casino because of a concern about protecting every square inch of hallowed ground, I say 6,000 acres is already a lot to maintain and protect.

For those opposed because it might bring additional competition for the almighty dollar a little too close for comfort to the tourist traps and businesses already embedded in one of the dozen or so largest tourist attractions in the country, you get no vote. Why? Because you're more concerned about your bottom line than you are the battlefield."

"Historians get to have their say because at least their motives are pure.

Me? I'm fine either way. Nothing they do will change the way I feel



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

Name: Tom DICK	
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Telephone	
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COMMENTS: (Please use reverse side if more space is required)

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I saw your show this morning and the segment about the proposed casino in Gettysburg, PA and felt compelled to write.

I am a "born and raised " Adams County resident and taxpayer. My husband is a partner of a masonry business and construction in this area has really been hit hard this year as well as all other areas of business.

This proposed site for the casino is an existing hotel & sports complex and has been that for years. It is **not** on the battlefield. The gentleman that is one of the investors of the proposed casino is a very astute business man and has donated large sums to our community over the years. He has opened several businesses in our area that are doing quite well and have been done with great care. I have no doubt that this new project will be done with the same great effort and good taste. Not only will the casino itself bring work to the area, it will also give the local construction industry opportunities.

The park service has gained more and more land over the years, which takes those properties off the tax rolls. This casino would bring in much needed tax revenue plus bring jobs to an area that desperately need help. So many businesses have talked about coming to the Gettysburg area that have never come. Everything is this town evolves around the history, right down to the types of signs your business may have.

This county recently underwent a county wide property reassessment, the first in 20 years! (Which is another story in itself) Now property owners are facing a wide range of tax increases, some very outrageous and there is no cap on how much they can increase them. In an economy where people desperately need jobs and are barely making mortgage payments now, we have had this burden thrown in our faces.

This casino will bring additional income and tax revenue and will benefit the areas businesses, from other hotels, restaurants, shops and yes even the infamous ghost walks of Gettysburg! Myself as well as many area residents say bring it on.!

I watch Fox News all the time and want to commend you all for presenting the true facts.

N J Dick Adams County resident

Joseph Sonor



Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board



WRITTEN COMMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD OF THE PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS

I request that the following comments be made part of the public input hearing record and considered by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board prior to awarding licenses for slots operators:

Name:	David Spitzer
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Organization,	if any
COMMENT	TS: (Please use reverse side if more space is required)

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DAVID Spitzer #1603

I Support THE MASON DIXON RESORT CASIMO I KNOW that MANY CONT Due to their MORAL Belies That's FINE that there ARE CLIFTENT OPINIOUS that's What MAKES AMERICA GREAT BUT, the MAJORITY OF ADAMS COUNTY WANTS this project

We need the Jobs, TAX Relief & Economic Benefit.
Please Grant the License The MADrity of Locals
want to see this happen

To whom it may concern,

Dim writing to express support for a casino in Bettysburg, cumberland Town Ship, Adams Cty

Cynthia Deathy

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I feel That Jobsin Adams County have become hard To find, and any enterprise Such as a Casino would help bring Jubs to Adams County. It seems to methat most people have To leave The area to find a job. I suport The Casino and Think Adams County needs the Jobs

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