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MAYOR  
City of Toledo

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Dear Sir or Madam;

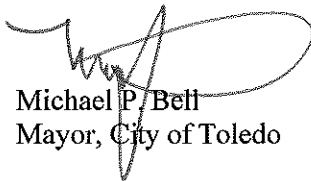
Please accept this letter as an endorsement of Penn National Gaming and their Hollywood Casino proposal. In 2012, Penn National Gaming opened Hollywood Casino, Toledo - one of three Hollywood properties opening that year. The project was on time (actually early) and on budget. Since day one, the partnership that has been created with this company has been extremely positive and continues to grow as operations mature here in the Toledo regional market.

Penn National has become a catalyst for economic development in our city. Penn National-Hollywood Casino, located on our waterfront, has actually become an anchor to other creative possibilities in the downtown Toledo corridor. We now have people who want to get involved with downtown riverfront development who were before only spectators in the economic development game. This is good not only for Toledo, but for our northwest Ohio region.

Penn National has been a major supporter of our community organizations – from the Boys and Girls Club to the YMCA and many others. Additionally, they have been active in promoting the use of local vendors to source their products for the casino. Take for instance, Tanks Meats located in nearby Elmore, Ohio. Tanks is a local business chosen to supply meat to the casino. Penn National, by selecting Tanks, assisted a local business vendor during a tough economic period in our region. This is just one example of many local businesses Penn National has provided significant opportunities to in the course of both their construction and their ongoing operations. Additionally, more than 90 percent of their workforce hails from Lucas County. As a side-note, one of Hollywood Casino's restaurant venues (The Final Cut) was recently given a 4-star rating. So investing locally is working and reaping benefits for our regional economy!

Commitment made and commitment kept is what makes Penn National who they are. We're proud to have them as part of our community.

Sincerely,



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