

RESOLUTION STATING SUPPORT FOR THE LOCATION,
APPROVAL AND OPERATION OF A CASINO IN THE TOWN OF FLORIDA

WHEREAS, on November 5th, in a referendum as part of the 2013 General Election, state voters approved the development of seven commercial casinos, with Town of Florida voters also voting in support of the commercial casino referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Upstate Gaming Economic Development Act of 2013 (Chapters 174 and 175 of the Laws of 2013) known as the "Gaming Act" was enacted on July 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Gaming Act, four casinos are to be sited within three regions of the State; and

WHEREAS, one of the regions is Region 2 and includes the County of Montgomery, Town of Florida and City of Amsterdam ; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Act creates the Resort Gaming Facility Location Board to review and evaluate the applications submitted to make selections of who is eligible to apply for a commercial gaming license in New York State; and

WHEREAS, Siting for the commercial casinos approved by State voters is now underway across New York State; and

WHEREAS, this Town Board has received calls and emails of support for a commercial casino operation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the potential economic benefits, this Town Board is supportive of a commercial casino being located in the Town of Florida;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That in furtherance of the above goals, this Town Board does hereby agree to the location of of a commercial casino proposed by Florida Acquisition Corp.; Clairvest Group; and/or Great Canadian Gaming Corp., in the Town of Florida, situated on two parcels of land in the Town of Florida and the City of Amsterdam, adjacent to Exit 27 of the New York State Thruway, based on the positive economic and fiscal benefits; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk and Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara.

Supervisor Eric Mead: *Yes*

Councilman Steve Rackowski: *Yes*

Councilman Ronald Phillips: *Yes*

Councilman Guy Robataille: *Yes*

Councilman Harold Alikonis: *Yes*

MOTION by *Supervisor Mead* and seconded from *Councilman Alikonis*

Kim LaMont, Town Clerk *Kim LaMont*

Date: *6/16/14*