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May 16, 2018

Mr. David M. Barasch, Chairman
Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board
Strawberry Square, 5th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Chairman Barasch:

I am writing to urge the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PGCB) to expedite the promulgation of temporary regulations in order to implement the Sports Wagering section (Chapter 13c) of Act 42 as soon as possible.

As you know, with the US Supreme Court's landmark ruling in *Murphy v. NCAA*, states have been given the "go ahead" on sports wagering. Pennsylvania, having taken pre-emptive action in the aforementioned Act and with a robust casino gaming industry in place, is positioned to be one of the handful of states ready to have sports wagering up and running in a short period of time.

However, several of our neighbors (NY, WV and DE) are similarly situated. New Jersey, this week, announced their intention to have sports wagering fully available by Memorial Day. Simply put, every day that goes by without it here, is a day that those revenues go elsewhere. I cannot emphasize enough that the time factor for implementation is critical.

Please do all you can to enable Pennsylvania to take full advantage of the opportunity that has been presented. Thanks in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robt F. Matzie".

ROBERT F. MATZIE
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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