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Massachusetts Gaming Commission
Attention: Chairman Stephen Crosby
84 State Street 10th floor
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Dear Chairman Crosby,

Re: Boston a Host or Surrounding Community / Revenue Sharing

Boston is not Everett nor is it Revere but each is an independent municipality that is self-governed and functions in compliance with state and federal mandates. The cities of Everett and Revere unlike present day Boston have never made any claim that demonstrates dominance and/or an initiative that is deemed to be exclusionary to other cities and towns.

Furthermore, each city inclusive of Boston does not exist without the financial resources provided by the State of Massachusetts and the Federal Government. Accordingly, throughout our past and present history cities and towns have advanced predicated on the financial infusion of capital provided by government and in compliance with the mandates and controls established by government. At no time in the past since the inception and definition of Everett's and Revere's geographical boundaries, has it been set forth in defining these boundaries that either is a municipality of Boston.

All claims that Boston is a host community to either Everett or Revere because they touch a municipality of Boston would invalidate the intent and purpose in the establishment of land boundaries. Therein, if Boston is to prevail with its claim it must also recognize that it will have opened itself up to counter claims by both cities for revenue sharing and distribution. More specifically if boundaries are to be invalidated then too Boston's ability to retain revenues derived from venues equally becomes invalidated. Thus, requiring equal distribution to Everett and Revere regardless of whether a casino comes to fruition or not

Pursuant to Boston's claim it is understood that Boston does not exist without the infrastructure and resources of other cities and towns. Foremost recognize that the primary generation of Boston's electric power is provided from Everett. Secondly that Boston's water and sewerage is treated at, Deer Islands Water Treatment Plant in Winthrop. Furthermore, Boston's water is provided from the Quabbin, Wachusett reservoirs and the Ware River in central and western Massachusetts. These components

demonstrate that the city of Boston is not self-contained but equally dependent on other cities and towns to function and prosper.

Boston is by choice and design the Capitol of Massachusetts Government and in this capacity is not granted any extra ordinary rights to pursue dominance over any other city and town in the Commonwealth. Furthermore, Boston demonstrates that its existence was and is predicated on the infusion of monies over decades from state and federal Government.

Logan International Airport was built with federal government monies and is regulated by Masport a state agency. The Boston Exhibition & Convention Center was built with state and federal monies and is regulated by Massport. Historical landmarks in and around greater Boston are regulated maintained and controlled by federal and state agencies. All commerce in the greater Boston harbor, all environmental mandates pursuant to Boston Harbor, all traffic within Boston Harbor is regulated and controlled by the federal government and the state. Most important all state highways including known state thoroughfares in and thru Boston are maintained, regulated and controlled by the state.

Thus, Boston cannot arbitrarily claim possession of state roadways, the airport, or harbor in making any claim for being impacted as they become state and federal issues not borne by the city. Of course, we can examine this in an alternative measure recognizing all business travel to and from the suburbs to Boston impacts Everett and Revere and as such they are impacted by Boston. This claim lacks substance once more because the roadways are state financed, maintained and regulated.

In conclusion, I respectfully provide the aforesaid considerations for your judgment knowing also that the mandates within the Ma. Gaming legislation previously passed should pre-empt Boston from enjoining itself as a host community as opposed to a surrounding community.

Sincerely,


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Cc: Mayor of Everett: Carlo De Maria
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