

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ISSUANCE OF A
COMMERCIAL GAMING LICENSE AT THE FORMER NEVELE
GRANDE HOTEL AND COUNTRY CLUB IN THE
TOWN OF WAWARSING**

On motion by Trustee Steinhoff, and seconded by Trustee Lopez, the following resolution was presented and voted upon:

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

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2013 New York voters passed the public referendum amending the State Constitution authorizing casino gaming in New York State; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Gaming Act, four (4) casinos are to be sited within three (3) regions of the State; and

WHEREAS, one of the regions is the Catskills/Hudson Valley region which includes Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Act creates the New York 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, as a condition of filing, each applicant must illustrate to the New York Gaming Facility Location Board's satisfaction that local and community support has been demonstrated; and

WHEREAS, the Gaming Act was enacted to assist in job growth and increase school tax and property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Budget projects that a casino located in the Town of Wawarsing adjacent to the Village of Ellenville will generate substantial revenue annually in school and property tax relief in the Town of Wawarsing; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Budget further projects that a casino located in the Town of Wawarsing will provide substantial revenue annually in local government aid in the Town of Wawarsing; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has unanimously approved and supported locating a gaming casino at the Nevele site through passage of Resolution No. 144 of 2014; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted February 27, 2012 the Village Board of Village of Ellenville unanimously supported the placement of a casino at the former Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club because it would create thousands of direct and indirect jobs and provide an economic stimulus to the Village, Town and region; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted February 24, 2014 the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville unanimously reiterated its support for the placement of a casino at the former Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club; and

WHEREAS, 84.2% of the votes cast by the voters in the Village of Ellenville, in the November 2013 election, were cast in favor of amending the State Constitution to allow casino gaming with it being well known and publicized that the site of the former Nevele Grande Hotel and County Club was being actively championed as one of the potential gaming sites in the Catskill/Hudson Valley region; and

WHEREAS, the present site of the former Nevele Grande Hotel and County Club is an economic blight on the Village of Ellenville and Town of Wawarsing and a non-revenue producing property for the Village of Ellenville; and

WHEREAS, the proposed site of a commercial gaming facility at the location of the former Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club would act as the economic engine for construction employment; direct and indirect employment of thousands of residents; economic stabilization and development of existing and new cultural/tourism attractions and businesses; and solidify and expand the tax base; and

WHEREAS, the prospect of the granting of a commercial gaming license at the site of the former Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club, which is within the Town of Wawarsing but outside of the bounds of the Village of Ellenville, and which would utilize water and potentially sewer from the Village of Ellenville, but would otherwise be a tax payer of Town of Wawarsing has renewed and rekindled the interest of the Village of Ellenville and Town of Wawarsing in consolidating municipal services and districts and possibly the dissolution of the Village of Ellenville; and

WHEREAS, Nevele-R, LLC is prepared to submit to the New York Gaming Facility Location Board an application seeking a commercial gaming license at the former location of the Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club and to be known as the Nevele Resort, Casino & Spa; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wawarsing has a long and proud tradition of being a resort host community and longs to return to the tradition of being the "Hospitality center of the Catskills"; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Wawarsing acknowledges that resorts and tourism are essential elements of the Town's historical, present and future well-being, as such, the revitalization of the Nevele Grande Hotel and Country Club into a modern, family oriented resort, casino and spa would be in keeping with the aspirations of the Town of Wawarsing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville having considered public comment and input, including the passage of Proposition 1 on the November, 2013 ballot by 84.2% of the votes cast within the Village of Ellenville; having reviewed the Upstate New York Gaming Economic Development Act of 2013; in the strongest terms possible declares that should the New York Gaming Facility Location Board select the application of

Nevele-R, LLC as a site for a commercial gaming license within the Catskill/Hudson Valley region that same will be an economic catalyst to bolster employment, solidify and grow the tax base; and provide a firm base for existing and new cultural/tourism attractions and commercial enterprises within the Village of Ellenville and Town of Wawarsing and the Catskill/Hudson Valley region; and be it

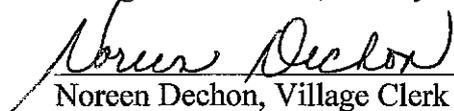
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville enthusiastically supports the application of Nevele-R, LLC to operate the Nevele Resort, Casino & Spa and urges the New York Gaming Facility Location Board to approve the application of Nevele-R, LLC; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Ellenville Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to the New York Gaming Facility Location Board, Governor, Andrew M. Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader, Dean Skelos, Senate Minority Leader, John L. Sampson, Assembly Speaker, Sheldon Silver, Assembly Majority Leader, Ron Canestrari, Assembly Minority Leader, James N. Tedisco, New York State Senators, John J. Bonacic and William J. Larkin, Jr., Cecilia Tkaczyk, New York State Assemblymen, Claudia Tenney, Frank Skartados, Kevin A. Cahill, Peter Lopez, Ulster County Executive, Michael Hein, Chair of Ulster County Legislature, John R. Parete, Ulster County Legislators, T.J. Briggs and Craig Lopez.

Jeffrey Kaplan, Mayor	VOTING	<u> Aye </u>
Efrain Lopez, Trustee	VOTING	<u> Aye </u>
Francisco Oliveras, Trustee	VOTING	<u> Aye </u>
Patricia Steinhoff, Trustee	VOTING	<u> Aye </u>
Raymond Younger, Trustee	VOTING	<u> Aye </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted on April 28, 2014.

Filed and recorded in the
Village Clerk's Office of the
Village of Ellenville, County of Ulster



Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned hereby certifies that :

(1) She is the duly qualified and Clerk of the Village of Ellenville, New York (hereinafter called the "Village") and the custodian of the records of the Village, including the minutes of the proceedings of the Village Board and is duly authorized to execute this certificate.

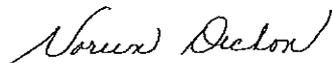
(2) Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Village Board of Trustees and held on the 28th day of April, 2014 and entitled:

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(3) Said meeting was duly convened and held and said resolution was duly adopted in all respects in accordance with law and the regulations of the Village. To the extent required by law or said regulations, due and proper notice of said meeting was given. A legal quorum of members of the Village Board was present throughout said meeting, and a legally sufficient number of commissioners (2/3 of the Village Board) voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the resolution. All other requirements and proceedings under law, said regulations, or otherwise, incident to said meeting and the adoption of the resolution, including any publication, if required by law, have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed.

(4) The seal appearing below constitutes the official seal of the Village and was duly affixed by the undersigned at the time this certificate was signed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set her hand this 29TH day of April, 2014.



Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk