

### **Exhibit IX.A.1.b Assessment of Local Support - Other Local Support**

The Traditions Resort & Casino project has received a significant amount of local support since announcing its intention to pursue a license in the Southern Tier Region in November of 2013. The documentation identified below and within the several subsequent exhibits is as of 6:00 pm on Friday, June 20, 2014.

In addition to the evidence below, we have built a solid social media presence with over 2,600 followers on Facebook.

We offer the following evidence of such support:

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.1** - A list of 28 resolutions passed by nearby municipalities and letters of support from local and state public officials, followed by copies of the actual resolutions and letters.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.2** - An endorsement from the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce which was issued on January 23, 2014 following an invitation to all prospective applicants in the region to present their project to the chamber and their independent review of each project.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.3** - A list of 154 written letters of support of the project from private companies and organizations, followed by copies of the actual letters.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.4** - A list of 10 letters of support of the project from private companies and organizations sent by way of e-mail, followed by copies of the actual e-mail correspondence.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.5** - A list of 48 written letters of support of the project from community members, followed by copies of the actual letters.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.6** - A list of 314 letters of support of the project from community members sent by way of e-mail, followed by copies of the actual e-mail correspondence.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.7** - A copy of the written petition with 3,126 signatures of support for this project.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.8** - A copy of the electronic petition including a cover letter and 1,030 signatures and individual notes of support for this project.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.9** - An example of the form letter of support signed early on in the project to generate regional awareness and support of this project followed by a list of 436 individuals who completed this letter. *Original copies of each letter are in our project*

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*manager's possession and are available for review should the Board or Commission wish to validate this data.*

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.10-** Letters of support for this project from current employees of Traditions Resort and Conference Center.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.11** - An example of the web letter generated from our website which was sent to local and state officials early on in the project to generate regional awareness and support of this project followed by a list of 858 individuals who completed our on-online form through our website generating 19,240 letters which were sent to the following officials.

- Scott Baker, Broome County Legislator
- John Bonacic, NYS Senator
- Andrew Cuomo, Governor
- Anthony Fiala, Broome County Legislator
- Stephen Flagg, Broome County Legislator
- Jason Garnar, Broome County Legislator
- Richard Hanna, US Congressman
- David Jensen, Broome County Legislator
- Thomas Libous, NYS Senator
- Donna Lupardo, NYS Assembly Member
- Kirsten Gillibrand, US Senator
- John Hutchings, Broome County Legislator
- Ronald Keibel, Broome County Legislator
- Bennett Liebman, NYS Deputy Secretary for Gaming and Racing
- Jerry Marinich, Broome County Legislator
- Colleen McCabe, Broome County Legislator
- NYS Gaming Commission
- Matthew J. Pasquale, Broome County Legislator
- George Phillips, Broome County Legislator
- Gary Pretlow, Broome County Legislator
- Daniel D. Reynolds, Broome County Legislator
- Daniel J. Reynolds, Broome County Legislator
- Charles Schumer, NYS Senator
- Michael Sopchak, Broome County Legislator
- Kelly Wildoner, Broome County Legislator

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Note: This campaign was stopped prior to the release of the RFA and start of the restricted contact period/identification of permissible contacts to comply with policies established by the Procurement Lobbying Law.

*An electronic copy of each emailed letter is in possession of our project manager and available for review should the Board or Commission wish to validate this data.*

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.12-** A list of 10 memorandums of understanding with local businesses who have expressed their support and interest in partnering with us. Actual copies of each agreement can be found in Exhibit IX.B.4.a.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.13-** A list of 4 memorandums of understanding with entertainment venues who have expressed their support of this project and interest in partnering with us. Actual copies of each agreement can be found in Exhibit IX.B.2.a.1.

**Exhibit IX.A.1.b.14-** A list of 89 vendor agreements from local vendors who have expressed their support of this project by willing to partner with us. 17 of these agreements are with businesses who are certified as WBE/MBE. Actual copies of each agreement can be found in Exhibit IX.B.3.a.

**Additional evidence in the form of video endorsements of our project can also be found on the project website at <http://thinkbigreallybig.com/endorse.html>**