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New York Gaming Facility Location Board  
C/O New York State Gaming Commission  
PO Box 7500  
Schenectady, NY 12301-7500

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to submit this letter in support of the Live! Hotel & Casino New York Project. With your approval, this important economic driver will be built in South Blooming Grove.

As a Town of Newburgh business owner, I know first-hand the challenges of a struggling local economy. We have made every effort to grow and expand our business, but success has been fleeting. We welcome the development of Live! Hotel & Casino New York for the following reasons:

- The Cordish Companies and Penn National Gaming have immense resources and are capable of making this project turnkey within two years with little disturbance to the environment.
- The resort will quickly transform Blooming Grove and the surrounding area into a bustling hub of economic activity that we have tried for years to create.
- Direct and indirect consistent economic support from Live! Hotel & Casino:
  - Direct support via local use options for loyalty points, additional tax revenue, and jobs for residents of The Hudson Valley, including the City and Town of Newburgh.
  - Indirect support via increased property values and a year-round tourist attraction that will drive traffic to local businesses.
- A major capital investment from a *tax-paying* entity is needed to revolutionize the business community here in the Hudson Valley while reducing the tax burden on our residents.

This project will energize our local economy. We urge you to, please, grant Live! Hotel & Casino the ability to re-build the local economy of Blooming Grove and the surrounding Hudson Valley area.

Sincerely,



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