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Governor James Lee Edwards
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
2025 South Gordon Cooper
Shawnee, OK 74801

Subject: Amendment to Tribal Gaming Ordinance

Dear Governor Edwards:

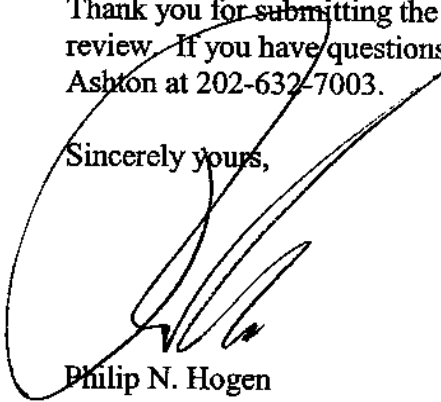
The Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) first approved the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's (Tribe) Gaming Code on January 10, 1995, and approved an amendment to the Gaming Code on March 27, 2000. This letter responds the request of the Tribe's Attorney General that the NIGC review and approve another amendment to the Tribe's Gaming Code.

In a letter dated July 15, 2003, Merrillyn B. Livermon submitted the amendment, adopted by Resolution No. L-AS-2003-42. The amendment to the Tribe's gaming ordinance concerns the licensing of vendors.

This letter constitutes approval of the amendment to the Tribe's gaming ordinance.

Thank you for submitting the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's amendment for review. If you have questions or require further assistance, please contact Sandra J. Ashton at 202-632-7003.

Sincerely yours,



Philip N. Hogen
Chairman

cc: Merrillyn B. Livermon, Attorney General
Tim E. Harper, NIGC Regional Director, Tulsa, with enclosure

LEGISLATIVE

RESOLUTION NO. L-AS-2003-42

ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA AMENDING THE ABSENTEE SHAWNEE GAMING CODE TO ADD PROVISIONS AND FORMS FOR VENDOR LICENSING; EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe exercising all inherent sovereign rights from time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma has a Constitution approved by the Department of the Interior, last amended in August 1988; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is empowered by the Constitution to speak and otherwise conduct business in the name of, and on behalf of, the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Executive Committee to uphold its constitutional responsibility to the Tribe and its membership as the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to do due diligence to protect the assets of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, to protect gaming assets it is necessary to do background checks on vendors to the Tribe's gaming operations to insure the integrity of the transactions; and

WHEREAS, the charging of a fee for a license and the attendant background checks will assist in assuring this integrity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma hereby amends the Absentee Shawnee Gaming Code to add provisions and forms for Vendor Licensing in the form as attached hereto; **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

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CERTIFICATION

We, James "Lee" Edwards, Governor and Kenneth Daugherty, Secretary of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that this Resolution No. L-AS-2003-42 to be a true and exact copy as approved by the Executive Committee of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma at a duly called Regular Meeting held on July 9, 2003, there being a quorum present, by vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, as follows: Lt. Governor Blanchard: Yes, Secretary Daugherty: Yes, Treasurer Ellis: Yes, Representative Tiger: Yes, Governor Edwards' vote, if required, N/A.

