

ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD

BOARD RESOLUTION TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE ADMINISTRATOR

ADOPTED JUNE 11, 2020

WHEREAS, On March 9, 2020, Governor JB Pritzker issued a Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation addressing the COVID-19 Pandemic, which is still in effect; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act [230 ILCS 10/1, *et seq.*] establishes the Illinois Gaming Board ("the Board") appointed by the Governor and which has all powers necessary and proper to fully and effectively administer, regulate, and enforce the systems of riverboat and casino gambling, sports wagering, and video gaming; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act is to benefit the people of the State of Illinois by assisting economic development, promoting Illinois tourism, and increasing the amount of revenues available to the State to assist and support education, and to defray State expenses; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act empowers the Board to delegate any of its powers under the Act for the purpose of administering and enforcing the Act and rules, and to take any other action as may be reasonable or appropriate to enforce the Act and the rules adopted by the Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Gambling Act prescribes an Administrator for the Board and mandates that the Administrator shall perform any and all duties that the Board shall assign him or her; and,

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Pandemic confronts the State's gaming industry with acute, unprecedented, and ever-changing challenges; and;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Pandemic also forces the Board to conduct its business facing unprecedented obstacles; and

WHEREAS, it would be impractical for the Board to meet and address the constantly evolving needs of the State's gaming industry;

THEREFORE, the Board finds that it is in the best interest of the State, its gaming industry, its citizens, and the overall efficiency of the Board to delegate to the Administrator, for the duration of, and the 60 days immediately following the termination of, the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the following:

- 1) The authority to adopt and file emergency rules;
- The authority to approve all changes enumerated in Section 3000.230(d)(1) of the Board's rules;

- 3) The authority to issue licenses under the Illinois Gambling Act, the Video Gaming Act, and the Sports Wagering Act to all individuals and entities already licensed by the Board, and to make all suitability findings and approvals necessary thereto;
- 4) The authority to grant land-based gaming requests from owners licensees per Section 7(e) of the Illinois Gambling Act;
- 5) The authority to approve requests to withdraw applications per Section 3000.220(e) of the Board's rules;
- 6) The authority to approve petitions to surrender a supplier's license per Section 3000.244 of the Board's rules;
- 7) The authority to issue Notices of Denial to all applicants who, after an appropriate investigation, Staff determined are prohibited by statute or rule from holding the license applied for;
- 8) The authority to grant any request for hearing;
- 9) The authority to grant leave to reapply for a license; and
- 10) The authority to initiate disciplinary proceedings per Section 3000.1110 of the Board's rules; and
- 11) The authority to settle any administrative hearing.

VOTED THIS THE ELEVENTH DAY OF JUNE, 2020

Anthony Garcia, Member

Dionne R. Hayden, Member

Charles Schmadeke, Chairman