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I think banning elected officials from gambling at Wynn would create a punishment for those who worked hard to get. The casinos have enough internal controls to prevent Any wrongdoing

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From: Terry Baldwin-Williams <terryb323@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 10:00 AM
To: MGCcomments (MGC)
Subject: Draft Regulation Comment - 205 CMR 152.00 DRAFT: Individuals Excluded from the Gaming Establishment

Dear esteemed members of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission:

With regard to the above-referenced proposed regulation concerning the casino Exclusion List and provision 152.10 thereof which bans local elected officials from placing wagers in the casino within their host community, I am strongly adverse to such exclusion.

I understand that the purpose of this ban is to avoid all appearances of impropriety, however, I believe it instead imposes a restriction on our elected officials that is unwarranted. By its mere existence, this exclusion, while safeguarding the casino's reputation, actually impugns the moral character of the elected officials who may visit the facility by including them among a list of unsavory characters who are likewise banned from engaging in gaming functions, when these politicians, in fact, have done nothing wrong. In my opinion, this is tantamount to discrimination. Many of these officials have worked vigorously to bring the casino to their home community and they should not be penalized for their efforts.

Casino gambling is now legal in the Commonwealth, and until such time as an individual has done something illegal or is otherwise found to be unsuitable, he or she should not be automatically prohibited from partaking in a lawful activity, just because the local community found them worthy of being elected to a governmental position.

Please strike this exclusion from the regulation.

Sincerely,

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