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City of Greater Sudbury 200 Brady Street Sudbury, Ontario

ATTENTION:

MAYOR BIGGER and CITY COUNCIL

RE:

CASINO DEVELOPMENT

Over the years the Casino discussion has generated many strong feelings, both in support and in opposition – from the general public, as well as the business community.

With the prospect of a large full casino being built in our community, and as this development could have negative or positive impacts, and as updated information is now available from communities that have existing casinos (that wasn't available at the time of the last discussion in 2012), the members of 'Downtown Sudbury' BIA were contacted in November to ask for their input on this issue in order for the Board of Directors to communicate their will to City Council.

The question posed to members was 'Do you support, or oppose, the development of a full casino in the City of Greater Sudbury that would include an increase in the current number of slots and the introduction of gaming tables?'

Member results were discussed by the Board of Directors and, at this time, the Board would like to advise City Council on the resulting position further to the following resolution:

18-152

FURTHER to a recent Downtown Member poll;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of 'Downtown Sudbury' BIA believes that a full Casino is not in the best interests of the City of Greater Sudbury;

AND FURTHER THAT a moratorium be placed on any expansion of casino type gambling facilities in our community, including changes in size, location, or type of gambling activities.

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Yours truly,

Jeff MacIntyre

Chair

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