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RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZATION FOR NWMC CONCERNING GAMING

WHEREAS, the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC) is a corporate organization representing municipalities and townships chartered within the State of Illinois and Counties of Cook, Lake, and DuPage; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 10, of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and Chapter 127, paragraphs 741 through 748, of the Illinois Revised Statutes, authorize and encourage intergovernmental association and cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the public officials of the NWMC represent forty local governmental bodies and a population of over 1.2 million residents; and

WHEREAS, the NWMC is considering support of a gaming tax revenue sharing program; and

WHEREAS, the program has been reviewed by the NWMC's Legislative Committee, Attorneys Committee, and Executive Board; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that support of the program will not negatively impact the NWMC's current legislative efforts on other issues; and

WHEREAS, the requirements placed on NWMC staff to support the program will not detract from efforts required on other legislative issues; and

WHEREAS, the revenue sharing program under consideration is purely voluntary on the part of both the sponsor and participants; and

WHEREAS, the position of the NWMC on the revenue sharing program in no

way impacts the right of each individual community to determine to participate or to decline to participate in the program; and

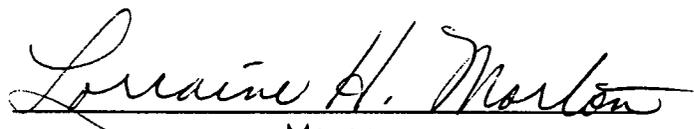
WHEREAS, the NWMC had called for comprehensive reform of the Illinois tax structure and does not believe the use of gambling revenue is an adequate or final solution to the tax funding problem, specifically the school funding problem facing the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assemble has approved various gambling options including riverboat gambling for the State of Illinois and the NWMC did not or does not intend to take a position on this issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the NWMC that:

SECTION I: If the General Assembly approves additional gaming licenses or an increase in the gaming tax the NWMC will support legislation that would require state wide sharing of the gaming tax by all municipalities.

SECTION II: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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City Clerk

Adopted: October 23, 1995