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RE: Gaming Ordinance Amendment of the Comanche Nation

Dear Chairman Coffey and Mr. Plata:

This letter responds to Mr. Plata's request on behalf of the Comanche Nation for the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve the Nation's newly enacted amendment to their gaming ordinance. The amendment to the gaming ordinance was adopted by the Comanche Business Committee, on December 14, 2006 via Resolution No. 99-06.

This letter constitutes approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), 25 U.S.C. § 2701 *et seq.*, of the enclosed amendment to the Nation's gaming ordinance. As you know, approval does not constitute approval of specific games. Furthermore, the approved ordinance, and the newly approved amendment, is approved only for gaming on Indian Lands as defined under the IGRA, lands over which the Nation possesses jurisdiction and exercises governmental power.

Thank you for submitting the amendment for review and approval. The NIGC staff and I look forward to working with you and the Tribe to implement IGRA. If you need further assistance, do not hesitate to contact the office.

Sincerely yours,

Philip N. Hogen
Chairman

AMENDMENTS

Sections 102 and 108 of the **Gaming Ordinance** shall be amended, as shown below, by deleting the ~~strike-through~~ language and adding the underlined language:

Section 102. Definitions

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(f) **Commissioner** means a Tribal Gaming Commissioner, including the alternate Commissioner unless otherwise specified.

Section 108. Gaming Commission

(a) The Nation hereby establishes a Tribal Gaming Commission whose duty it is to regulate tribal gaming operations. The Tribal Gaming Commission shall consist of ~~three (3)~~ four (4) members one of whom shall be designated an alternate, and at least one of whom shall be an enrolled member of the Comanche Nation. There shall be among them a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, ~~and~~ one additional Commissioner, and one alternate Commissioner. The Commissioners shall elect a Chairperson from among them, whose duty it shall be to preside over all meetings and hearings. In addition, the Commissioners shall elect a Vice-Chairperson who shall preside in the Chairperson's absence.

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(c) The Nation recognizes the importance of an independent Tribal Gaming Commission in maintaining a well-regulated gaming operation. The Commission shall be and act independently and autonomously from the CBC in all matters within its purview. **No prior or subsequent review by the CBC of any actions of the Commission shall be required or permitted except as otherwise explicitly provided in this Ordinance.** To avoid potential conflicts of interest between the operation and regulation of the gaming facility, the Nation hereby finds that, at a minimum:

(1) No member of the CBC or Tribal Gaming Board of Directors may serve on the Gaming Commission;

(2) No member directly related to or living with any CBC member or Tribal Gaming Board of Directors member may serve on the Gaming Commission;

(3) Members of the Gaming Commission, as well as all gaming commission employees, are prohibited from gambling in the gaming facilities; and

(4) Members of the Gaming Commission, or gaming commission employees, are prohibited from accepting complimentary items ~~from the gaming operation, excepting food and beverages valued at less than ten (10) dollars~~ except as specified in Section 110 herein.

(5) No person having a direct or indirect financial interest in a management contract or in any gaming operation may serve on the Gaming Commission.

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(h) Each Commissioner shall be designated as Commissioner 1, Commissioner 2, Commissioner 3, or Commissioner 4. Terms of Office for Tribal Gaming Commissioners shall be as follows:

(1) ~~The Chair~~ Commissioner 1 shall serve an initial term of one year, with subsequent appointments for three-year terms.

(2) ~~The Vice-Chair~~ Commissioner 2 shall serve an initial term of two years, with subsequent appointments for three-year terms.

(3) Commissioners 3 and 4 shall serve three-year terms.

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(l) A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. The concurrence of a majority of the members appointed to the Commission shall be required for any final determination by the Commission. The alternate Commissioner may attend all meetings of the Tribal Gaming Commission, but shall not count toward a quorum, vote, or take other official action unless another Commissioner is unavailable. The Commission may act in its official capacity even if there are vacancies on the Commission.

COMANCHE NATION
RESOLUTION NO. 99-06

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on October 6, 2006, at the Comanche Tribal Complex, Lawton, by a majority vote of _____ for, _____ against, and _____ abstentions, a quorum being present.

Wallace Coffey, Chairman

ATTESTED:

Secretary-Treasurer