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To: North Dakota Charitable Gaming Organizations

Re: Temporary Waiver of Gaming Rule - Veterans Meal Support

The Attorney General's Gaming Division has received a request for the Division to consider a waiver of rules that would allow gaming organizations to purchase meals for veteran's at their gaming sites. Under N D Admin Code § 99-01.3-02-03, the Attorney General may waive a rule when doing so is in the best interest of the gaming industry and the public.

This letter serves as formal Notice of Temporary Administrative Rules Waiver ("Notice") regarding the restrictions and requirements applicable to distributors and manufacturers under N D Admin Code § 99-01.3-02-05.

The rules subject to the waiver request provide as follows:

- N D Admin Code § 99-01.3-02-05 (5): Only an organization or its employee that has received approval from the attorney general or follows guidelines prescribed by the attorney general may buy a gift certificate or merchandise as a gaming prize from a lessor, or buy merchandise, food, or alcoholic or nonalcoholic drinks from the lessor for the lessor's employees or patrons. An organization's employee may patronize a lessor in the normal course of a lessor's business.

The Attorney General agrees to a narrow and specific waiver of the above-referenced rules for the limited purpose of permitting organizations to purchase meals and non-alcoholic beverages for veterans at their lessor's site on Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Veterans Day with gaming net proceeds. This waiver is limited solely to the purchase of meals and non-alcoholic drinks for veterans and does not authorize additional payments to lessors outside the scope of this purpose.

This waiver is intended to provide an opportunity for organizations in areas where viable meal options may not be available except through a lessor's site. The intent is to provide meals for veterans, not to create additional financial benefit for lessors and the primary benefit must be for the veterans, not the gaming site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Aaron Hummel", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Aaron Hummel  
Director of Gaming  
Office of Attorney General