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- 1. James Kauten
- 2. Shoreline
- 3. (o) Not Applicable
- 4. jkauten@evergreengaming.com
- **5.** 07/27/2020
- 6. Ordinance No. 895
- **7.** Good Evening,

My name is, James Kauten, I am the General Manager at Goldie's Shoreline Casino. My question is regarding Governor Inslee's orders that will affect our cardroom. The order includes a suspension of cardroom activity, effective end of day Wednesday, July 29th, 2020. This order is said to stand until phase 4 of Safe Start Washington. However, Inslee stated that cardrooms could continue operation during Phase 2 with revised restrictions in an outdoor tent like structure. Provided, the structures only had two walls and allowed the free flow of outdoor air. Currently, this request would be denied under the Shoreline existing rules and regulations. Goldie's Casino paid \$992,000* in local taxes in 2019. With the previous mandated closures of 2020, Goldie's has paid another \$238,000* YTD. These taxes are already trending 50% behind the prior year. Our team has taken tremendous measures to ensure the safety of our guests and employees during these difficult times. In conclusion, we currently employ approximately 200 employees that have concerns on their financial futures. Will the current restrictions be revised to allow us to operate under Inslee's directions, and how soon could we proceed in developing the new accommodations for our guests?

8. (o) Oppose

Thank you,

City of Shoreline

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