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Executive Director Jill Hunsaker-Ryan
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246

Executive Director Ryan,

The Colorado Gaming Association fully supports the containment plan included in Gilpin County's application to be granted Protect Your Neighbors status.


We are completely committed to assist Gilpin County Public Health as the plan rolls out to keep the incidence of COVID-19 below the thresholds indicated in the plan. As a partner with the state and county, the safety of our customers and employees are of utmost importance to the gaming industry.

We further commit to continue using CGA's tools, resources and network of shared best practices to encourage and enforce compliance with the containment plan and accompanying Public Health Orders. Further we will continue to assist with CDPHE's enforcement actions, should they become necessary. As one of the most highly regulated industries in the state we believe we are in a unique position to closely monitor customers and employees and have successfully educated both as to the importance of wearing masks and social distancing.

Moving to the Protect Our Neighbors phase will positively impact our industry as many of our larger operators are currently only allowed 25% of FCO or even less given the maximum of 175 people for large indoor spaces.

A significant portion of our industry is also still unavailable given we have not been allowed to offer table games such as Black Jack, Poker and Craps. Hundreds of our Table Games employees are eager to come back to work and we request that the County's submission for Table Games also be approved as soon as possible. Just as we have committed to and have successfully created a safe environment for our slot players, we commit to creating a safe environment for our table games players.

Best regards,


Peggi O'Keefe

Executive Director – Colorado Gaming Association