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The Honorable Brittney M. Miller, Chair

Assembly Committee on the Judiciary
Nevada State Legislature
Legislative Building
401 S. Carson St.
Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Support for SB 256 – Disgorgement of Proceeds from Illegal Gaming Operators

Dear **Chair Miller** and Members of the Assembly Judiciary Committee,

On behalf of the Nevada Council on Problem Gambling, I write in **SUPPORT** of SB 256, which enhances enforcement against illegal gambling operators by requiring the disgorgement of illicit proceeds obtained through unregulated gaming activities. We commend this measure as a necessary step to hold illegal operators accountable and protect the integrity of Nevada's regulated gaming industry.

While we support SB 256 as written, we would encourage consideration of an amendment that **directs a portion of the disgorged funds to the Revolving Account to Support Programs for the Prevention and Treatment of Problem Gambling**, established under **NRS 458A**. This would ensure that some of the funds derived from unlawful gaming activity are reinvested into essential programs that address the harm caused by gambling addiction. Such an amendment would elevate our support to enthusiastic levels, as it aligns with Nevada's longstanding commitment to **responsible gaming**.

We are confident that licensed, regulated gaming operators in Nevada adhere to NRS 463.090, which requires compliance with responsible gaming regulations. Under Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 5.170, gaming licensees are mandated to provide problem gambling information and employee training to ensure patrons have access to resources for responsible gambling. This regulatory framework has made Nevada a leader in harm reduction and responsible gaming initiatives.

By contrast, illegal operators do not adhere to these standards, leaving consumers at greater risk of harm. SB 256 rightfully targets these bad actors, and incorporating funding for problem gambling programs would further reinforce Nevada's leadership in balancing economic opportunity with public health protections.

We appreciate your time and consideration of this important issue. We would welcome the opportunity to provide additional input or resources on the impact of problem gambling and the effectiveness of state-funded prevention and treatment programs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trey Delap". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "T" and a cursive "Delap".

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