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The Honorable Michael A. Nutter
Mayor
City of Philadelphia - Room 215
Philadelphia, PA 19107

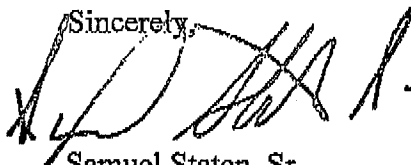
Dear Mayor Nutter:

On behalf of the almost 3,000 members of the Laborers' International Union of North America Local 332, I am writing to strongly express our support for SugarHouse Casino. As you know, the vast majority of Local 332's members live in the City of Philadelphia and our members would directly benefit from the jobs created during the construction and operation of SugarHouse.

With a significant amount of Local 332's membership being minorities and working on a project of this size and scope, this will offer the perfect opportunity to meet the goals of the City of Philadelphia for minority inclusion in the construction workplace.

As important as this construction is for the members of Local 332, I believe it is equally important for them as citizens of the City of Philadelphia. The direct and indirect benefits of the casino's construction and operation - increased employment, substantial tax revenues that can help hire new police and properly fund important social services and the rehabilitation of a long blighted stretch of the waterfront - is an important part of the renaissance of Philadelphia.

On behalf of my members and the entire City of Philadelphia, I ask that you strongly support the construction of SugarHouse and work with the developers and nearby community to find a way to move forward quickly.

Sincerely,


Samuel Staten, Sr.
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