January 18, 2024

Subject: **SB 83** – Video Lottery Terminals – Distribution of Local Impact Grants – Town of Forest Heights

Dear Members of the Budget and Taxation Committee,

My name is Cynthia Mann. I am writing to offer my enthusiastic endorsement of Senate Bill 83, which holds significant promise for fostering economic development and addressing public safety concerns in our community. As a dedicated resident of this area for the past 23 years and a former Council President, I am keenly aware of the challenges and opportunities facing our community.

Senate Bill 83 proposes increased funding that is pivotal for promoting economic development in our growing area. The provisions outlined in the bill are strategically designed to attract investment, stimulate job creation, and contribute to the overall prosperity of our community. This increased financial support aligns seamlessly with our vision for sustained growth and enhanced economic vitality.

Furthermore, it would enable the Town to establish a comprehensive approach to address public safety needs, reflecting a commitment to maintaining a secure and thriving community. The proposed measures in Senate Bill 83 are essential for ensuring the safety and well-being of our residents, and I firmly believe that supporting this legislation is crucial for the continued success of our community.

Drawing from my experience as a former Council President, I understand the significance of legislation that aligns with our community's long-term goals. Senate Bill 83 is poised to make a positive impact, and I urge your careful consideration and support for its passage.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to witnessing the positive changes that Senate Bill 83 can bring to our community.

Sincerely,

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