CHESAPEAKE GAMING, LLC

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RE: Letter of Support for House Bill 1134 – Sports Wagering Facility Licensees – Provision of Services

Dear Chair Atterbeary and Honorable Members of the Ways and Means Committee,

On behalf of Chesapeake Gaming and the Boonsboro Off-Track Betting (OTB), I am writing to express our strong support for House Bill 1134, which provides necessary updates to Maryland's sports wagering framework. This legislation clarifies the ability of Class A sports wagering facility licensees to provide sports wagering services on behalf of Class B licensees, while also allowing for the appropriate use of branding and loyalty rewards programs.

House Bill 1134 promotes a more competitive and streamlined sports wagering market in Maryland by enhancing operational flexibility for licensees. By permitting Class A licensees to extend their branding and customer engagement programs to Class B facilities under contract, this bill supports consumer convenience and strengthens the overall gaming ecosystem in the state. However, the bill also maintains responsible safeguards by ensuring that individual account wallets remain exclusive to the original licensee, preserving financial integrity and regulatory oversight.

Chesapeake Gaming believes that this legislation will encourage growth in the industry, provide additional revenue opportunities for businesses of all sizes, and enhance the customer experience. We commend Delegate Fair for introducing this bill and urge the members of the Ways and Means Committee to support its passage.

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can provide additional information or testimony in support of House Bill 1134.

Sincerely,

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