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## RE: Hawaiian Gardens Casino ignores condition of license

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

As we told one of your staffers in January 2005, the rear entrances to the Hawaiian Gardens Casino are always open and no guards are in evidence. We have seen this in many visits over the last year. We are including letter photos that we took on two such visits, one in March and one in June. As you can see from the photos, young children are present. In one case, a child actually takes a shortcut the entire width of the casino property from Carson St. to Elaine Ave, on her way to the Fedde Middle School.

When you granted Irving and Cherna Moskowitz a conditional license a year ago, one of the three conditions you placed on the license was: "Licensee shall maintain licensed security guards at all entrances and exits of the gambling establishment during operating hours to ensure the safety of employees and patrons, and that no persons under the age of 21 gain entrance to the establishment."

We believe these photos show conclusively that the Moskowitzes are simply ignoring a key condition that you set upon their license. We believe that their flagrant disregard demonstrates their unsuitability under the California Gambling Control law for a gambling license.

The California Gambling Control Act, enacted by the state legislature as Business and Professions Code §19800 (et seq.), begins by stating that it is the longstanding public policy of the state of California to disfavor the business of gambling unless it is regulated so as not to endanger the public health, safety and welfare. We urge you to act upon your mandated responsibility to the public welfare and to deny Irving Moskowitz's license renewal application.

The photos follow. You will be able to find them in color on our website, www.stopmoskowitz.org, either Friday or Monday.

Sincerely yours,

Jane Hunter

Coalition Co-director

and Hunter



Mother, child walk past casino vendor gate, open wide. March 7, 2005



Child trailing behind mother at open casino vendor gate, March 7, 2005



Student taking shortcut through casino property from Carson St. to Elaine Ave., June 1, 2005



Student completes shortcut through casino property, June 1, 2005



Students walking past wide-open casino gate. June 1, 2005



School crossing on Elaine, with parents dropping off children on casino side of street. June  $1,\,2005$ 



View from school and park side of Elaine Ave., looking East, March 7, 2005



Casino employee gate, wide open, June 1, 2005.

