



Commonwealth of Virginia

GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RICHMOND

July 16, 2024

William Carstanjen
Chief Executive Officer
Churchill Downs Incorporated
600 N. Hurstbourne Parkway
Suite 400
Louisville, KY 40222

TRANSMITTED VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. Carstanjen,

We are writing to express our unequivocal opposition to the Colonial Downs Group and Rosie's Gaming Emporium's proposal to convert part of the Staples Mill Shopping Center into a new gambling facility and casino-like parlor. This proposal was submitted before new zoning rules took effect, thus circumventing the public process that Henrico was in the midst of implementing. This project, which includes the installation of 175 historical horse racing machines, has the potential to bring about undesirable changes to our community.

As state legislators, we are committed to advocating for the best interests of our constituents. Allowing this project to proceed without proper scrutiny and public input would be a disservice to the people we represent. We call on the Colonial Downs Group and Rosie's Gaming Emporium to withdraw its application.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We trust that you will act in the best interest of our community and uphold the principles of transparency and public engagement.

Sincerely,

Senator Schuyler VanValkenburg
16th Senate District


Senator Lamont Bagby
14th Senate District

Senator Lashrecse Aird
13th Senate District

Delegate Hyland (Buddy) Fowler Jr.
59th House District



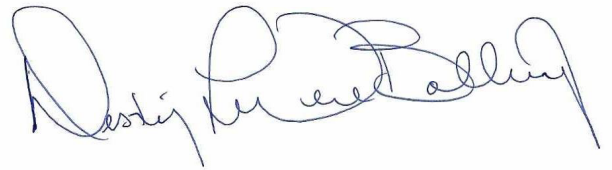
Delegate Delores McQuinn
81st House District



Delegate Rodney Willett
58th House District



Delegate David L. Owen
57th House District



Delegate Destiny LeVere Bolling
80th House District