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Dear Mr Cairncross,

Support Submission for Grand Casino Dunedin License Renewal

I am writing to you on behalf of the Zonta Club of Metropolitan Dunedin regarding the recent call for submissions concerning the renewal of Grand Casino Dunedin's license under the Gambling Act.

Grand Casino Dunedin, formerly known as Dunedin Casino, has been an integral part of our community for over 25 years. Their steadfast commitment to Dunedin, coupled with their significant contributions to our city, deserves recognition and support.

As a longstanding Dunedin-based business, Grand Casino has not only provided employment opportunities for thousands of individuals but has also played a vital role in fostering successful careers in more ways than you may realise. Moreover, their philanthropic efforts through the Dunedin Casino Charitable Trust have made a tangible difference in our community, with grants exceeding \$4 million and numerous sponsorships across the Arts, Sports, and Business sectors.

In particular, I wish to highlight the invaluable support extended by Grand Casino to the Zonta Club of Metropolitan Dunedin. Their generous contribution to our recent International Women's Day event, which raised \$5,000 for STEM scholarships benefiting young women in Dunedin, exemplifies their commitment to empowering our community's future leaders. Their full support, encompassing venue, catering and staff assistance, was instrumental in the success of our initiative.

Given their demonstrated dedication to the betterment of Dunedin and its residents, we wish to endorse Grand Casino Dunedin's application for license renewal.

Thank you for considering this submission. We trust this will result in an ongoing commitment to support the Grand Casino in making Dunedin a better place for all.

Yours sincerely

Paula Harvey
President