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CALIFORNIA INDIAN TRIBES, CIVIL RIGHTS, BUSINESS, PUBLIC SAFETY LEADERS URGE: YES ON PROP 26

For over two decades, California voters have stood with Indian tribes, granting them the right to operate highly regulated gaming on tribal lands. Indian gaming has helped lift tribes out of poverty – creating jobs and providing revenues for critical tribal services including education, healthcare, housing, public safety, cultural preservation and more.

Prop 26 will continue this legacy by authorizing in-person sports wagering at highly regulated Indian casinos for adults 21 and over and allowing Indian casinos to offer additional games like roulette and dice.

PROP 26 PROMOTES INDIAN SELF-RELIANCE

A broad coalition of California Indian tribes supports Prop 26 because it will promote self-reliance for all tribes, including smaller and non-gaming tribes. Prop 26 will increase funds for revenue sharing agreements that provide tens of millions every year to California’s smaller, poorer Indian Tribes.

“I’ve seen first-hand the transformative impacts Indian gaming revenue sharing has had on our people, helping our small tribe pay for schools, health clinics and fire services. Prop 26 will continue to lift tribes like ours out of poverty and allow us to become more self-reliant.”

- Thomas Tortez, Tribal Chairman, Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians

PROP 26 IS THE MOST RESPONSIBLE APPROACH TO AUTHORIZING SPORTS WAGERING
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Prop 26 will legalize sports wagering in a controlled manner at highly regulated tribal casinos and licensed horse racing facilities. Requiring sports wagering in-person provides the strongest age verification safeguards to prevent underage gambling and protections against problem gambling. On the other hand, Prop 27 would legalize online and mobile sports gambling in California, turning virtually every cellphone, tablet and laptop into a gambling device – increasing the risk of underage and problem gambling. We respectfully ask you to VOTE YES on Prop 26 and NO on Prop 27.

PROP 26 BENEFITS ALL OF CALIFORNIA

California’s tribal casinos annually generate $26.9 billion for the state economy, support over 150,000 jobs, $12.4 billion in wages and contribute nearly $1.7 billion in revenues to state and local governments. Prop 26 will create more jobs and economic opportunity for Indian tribes and all Californians.

PROP 26 SUPPORTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND STATE PRIORITIES

According to the nonpartisan Legislative Analyst, Prop 26 will generate tens of millions of dollars annually for vital services such as public schools, homelessness and mental health programs, wildfire prevention, senior services and other state priorities.

PROP 26 CONTAINS PROVISIONS TO ENFORCE CALIFORNIA’S GAMBLING LAWS AND PREVENT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

California law prohibits house banked card games like those found in Nevada casinos. Despite this, some cardroom casinos and their financial bankers have been running these prohibited card games – operating illegal gambling and blatantly violating state law. Illegal
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gambling leads to money laundering, fraud and criminal activity. Prop 26 will strengthen enforcement of California’s gaming laws to crack down on illegal gambling and prevent this criminal activity.

YES ON 26: SUPPORTED BY INDIAN TRIBES, CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS, BUSINESS AND PUBLIC SAFETY ADVOCATES

- American Indian Chamber of Commerce
- NAACP California
- California District Attorneys Association
- Yolo County Fire Chiefs Association
- San Diego Police Officers Association
- La Raza Roundtable of California
- California Nations Indian Gaming Association
- Gold Coast Veterans Foundation
- Baptist Ministers Conference of LA and Southern California

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