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APPOINTMENTS

PA SOLDIERS' & SAILORS' HOME ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the House of Representatives

From:

Representative John Hornaman

Date:

January 25, 2011

SUBJECT:

Proposed Legislation - Resolution Memorializing the Congress of the United States to

Oppose Any Legislation Legalizing Internet Gambling

In the near future, I intend to introduce a resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to oppose any legislation legalizing Internet gambling.

As you may be aware, during the 111th Congress, at least three legislators proposed or prepared legislation that would legalize some form of Internet gambling. In response to this news, Pennsylvania Lottery Director Ed Trees expressed concern that the legalization of Internet gambling has the potential to decimate lottery sales, diminish net profits that fund vital services for older Pennsylvanians, and detrimentally impact the Lottery's 8,700 business partners. In addition, such legalization would provide nearly unfettered access to minors as well as individuals with gambling problems.

With that said, it is important that we express our opposition to such legislation to our federal delegation. My resolution unambiguously sends that message. I hope you will join me. If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Carla Walker at cwalker@pahouse.net or 717-772-2297 (inhouse 6535).