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U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein
Attn: Dan Wessel
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510
February 20, 2009

Re: SB 338 – Two-Part Determination – Lytton Band Casino San Pablo

Dear Senator Feinstein:

No Casino In Plymouth supports your efforts to develop a “sound and well reasoned public policy on tribal gaming” by promoting legislation that would require use of the Two-Part determination process for Casino San Pablo expansion.

As you aware, here in Amador County, Plymouth residents have endured a six-year struggle to assert our legitimate concerns over the development of a casino in our very small town. Recently, Solicitor Bernhardt (DOI) reversed the restored opinion issued for the Ione Band of Miwok by former solicitor Carl J. Artman; an opinion that was not fact-based. We would like to take this opportunity to request the Senator to extend her support for the federal oversight provided by a Two-Part Determination process to include the Ione Band of Miwok and their proposed Plymouth Casino. And, in so doing, encourage the new solicitor appointed by Secretary Salazar to uphold Solicitor Bernhardt’s withdrawal of the Ione Band restoration.

We are grateful for your understanding of the burden that tribal gaming places on the existing community and support your common sense approach.

Sincerely,

Dr. Elida A. Malick, Director
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