## **Argument Against Proposition 48**

VOTE NO ON PROP. 48. Keep Indian gaming on tribal reservation land only.

Years ago, California Indian Tribes asked voters to approve limited casino gaming on Indian reservation land. They promised Indian casinos would ONLY be located on the tribes' original reservation land. PROP. 48 BREAKS THIS PROMISE.

While most tribes played by the rules, building on their original reservation land and respecting the voters' wishes, other tribes are looking to break these rules and build casino projects in urban areas across California. VOTE NO ON PROP. 48 TO STOP RESERVATION SHOPPING. Prop. 48 would approve a controversial tribal gaming compact that would allow the North Fork Tribe to build an offreservation, Vegas-style 2,000 slot-machine casino more than an hour's drive from the tribe's established reservation land, closer to major freeways and Central Valley communities.

PROP. 48 WILL START A NEW AVALANCHE OF OFF- RESERVATION CASINO PROJECTS. There are already over 60 casinos in California. Enough is enough. Vote No on Prop. 48.

Newspapers called for the rejection of this controversial Indian gaming compact:

"While most casinos are still in remote locations, a new push by tribes to purchase additional land at lucrative freeway locations threatens to kick off a whole new casino boom." *Fresno Bee*, 4/21/13

"This year, it's the North Fork tribe. Others are lined up in the wings to make their bids to build casinos in urban areas." *Bakersfield Californian*, 9/4/13

"Voters were assured (their approval of gaming) wouldn't trigger a casino boom and that casinos would only be built on recognized Indian territory." *San Diego Union-Tribune*, 8/11/13

"Now, two casino proposals could open the door to a new era of Indian gaming in the state. . .which would make these the state's first Indian casinos located off existing reservations." *Los Angeles Times*, 8/19/12

PROP. 48 IS A BAD DEAL FOR CALIFORNIA. Unlike prior Indian gaming compacts this deal provides NO money for California's schools and NO additional money for our state general fund. PROP. 48 DOESN'T CREATE NEW JOBS. The

proposed new casino will simply take resources and jobs from nearby casinos and businesses.

Prop. 48 is a bad deal for California, but a great deal for the wealthy Las Vegas casino operator who will run the casino. It hired high-priced lobbyists and spent heavily on trying to build off-reservation casinos in California. It has been accused of unfair labor practices and fined by the Nevada Gaming Commission and the Missouri Gaming Commission.

PROP. 48 DOESN'T PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. It is opposed by Central Valley businesses, farmers, and community leaders because it means MORE air pollution, MORE traffic, and the loss of open space. It also creates a greater burden on an already limited water supply.

Vote No on Prop. 48. STOP Vegas-style casinos in our neighborhoods and STOP the avalanche of new off-reservation casinos. Join us and Vote NO on Prop. 48. Read more at *www.StopReservationShopping.com* 

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