

November 9, 2011

Governor Jerry Brown  
c/o State Capitol, Suite 1173  
Sacramento, Ca. 95814

Re: Off-Reservation Casino in Yuba County

Governor Brown:

My name is Denis O'Connor, and I have been a member of the Wheatland Elementary School Board since 1998. I was born in Yuba County, and I am the pastor of the Wheatland Christian Church.

As you know, the voters in Yuba County rejected an off-reservation casino in 2005. Enterprise Rancheria still keeps trying to impose their will on the people of Yuba County to build a casino. Diane Feinstein opposes their gaming project, and she is siding with the people of Yuba County. Enterprise Rancheria does not have strong community support. Local opposition is a valid and important reason to say no to off-reservation casinos in Yuba County. Enterprise Rancheria has land in Oroville, California; therefore, their argument that they are without land is not true.

I fully realize that some people will gamble and continue to gamble, but this is not the issue here. Let's not distinguish Yuba County as a place where people no longer have a voice, and their vote does not count.

Both state and federal governments are needed to approve this off-reservation casino if it is to happen. This is a great opportunity to let the Yuba County voters know that you stand behind them in their desire to prevent the building of a casino in their community.

Sincerely,

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