

SAY NO TO THE CASINO CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Say NO to the Casino Group: We Are Encouraged By Today's Appeals Court Ruling to Deny Nassau County a Stay

Hempstead, NY – In stalwart support of Hofstra University's efforts to fight the proposed Las Vegas Sands (LVS) casino from coming to the Nassau Hub, the Say No to the Casino Civic Association issued the following statement:

"We are pleased that the stay of the State Supreme Court's decision to annul the lease between Nassau County and the gambling company Las Vegas Sands Corp. has been denied. It is very clear that Nassau County violated Open Meetings Laws and skirted its responsibility to conduct a thorough environmental review when the Legislature voted to approve the lease transfer. It was an obvious attempt to avoid public input and scrutiny. It is time for County leadership to acknowledge that they did indeed violate such laws, end its wasteful appeal, and start over—this time following our laws and subjecting the lease to both public scrutiny and environment review. We are confident that after a fair and transparent process, it will be clear to both County legislators and residents of Nassau County that any lease transfer that would allow for a massive, predatory casino in the heart of Nassau County should be voted down."

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Say No to the Casino Civic Association is a non-partisan group, composed of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents from across Nassau County, who have come together with one goal: to stop the Las Vegas Sands Casino proposal. The group believes that a casino will have an unequivocally negative impact on our community and irrevocably change the character of our county. The group believes that a casino will lead to an increase in crime, gambling addiction, bankruptcy and home foreclosure rates; exacerbate traffic problems; impact our natural environment including air and water quality; depress home values; and strain law enforcement. We invite everyone in Nassau County to join us and get involved by signing our petition on our new website, www.nocasinonassau.org, joining our Facebook group, and following us on Twitter and Instagram, @NoCasinoLI.