



February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Senator Matt Klein  
95 University Avenue W.  
Minnesota Senate Bldg., Room 2105  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Senator Klein and Members of the Minnesota Senate,

On behalf of the nine member tribes of the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association (MIGA), please accept this letter in support of SF757, Senator Klein's bill to legalize sports wagering. SF757 is largely the product of good faith negotiations among stakeholders who would be impacted by a new form of regulated gaming in the state. Those stakeholders include the state's horseracing industry, charitable gambling and veterans groups, professional sports teams, problem gambling community, platform providers and the 11 federally recognized tribes in Minnesota.

SF757 meets a number of critical tests for our members. First, the proposed legislation respects tribal sovereignty, a fundamental concept of tribes self-determination. Next, SF757 recognizes Minnesota tribes unique ability to operate as exclusive mobile license holders. This trust in tribes is well placed, as tribal gaming in Minnesota is the most regulated in the state with an impeccable 30+ year track record that has earned the public's trust.

MIGA leaders also strongly believe that a state regulated mobile framework is far superior to the current status quo, where Minnesota bettors are forced to use illicit products that offer no consumer protections, no sensible problem gambling measures nor any resources for state and tribal government priorities. It is time to bring this activity into the light, to protect bettors by giving them safe, regulated options. SF757 would provide this alternative to the illicit market, with the strongest consumer protections, protections for problem gamblers and the highest level of resources dedicated to prevention and treatment of any sports betting law in the nation.

Again, MIGA leaders thank Sen. Klein and Co-Authors Sen. Kunesch, Sen. Pratt, Sen. Coleman and Sen. Frentz. We look forward to working with all Legislators and stakeholders in crafting nation leading sports wagering legislation.

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Andy Platto  
Executive Director, Minnesota Indian Gaming Association

