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## IN RE: ROYAL PALACE INVESTMENTS, LLC D/B/A PALACE TRUCK STOP & CASINO NO. 3601518053

This matter is before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board (the "Board") on motion filed by Royal Palace Investments, LLC d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino requesting rehearing and reconsideration of the Notice of Revocation dated January 16, 2025, wherein its Type 5 video draw poker gaming license, No. 3601518053, was revoked. The basis of the revocation was due to the licensee's failure to timely request an administrative hearing within ten calendar days of the licensee's receipt of a Notice of Recommendation of Revocation dated December 20, 2024, issued for failure to submit its Annual Licensee Form, appropriate fee, and required documents as required by gaming law and regulations.

The licensee alleges that it submitted its Annual Licensee Form, appropriate fee, and required documents to the Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division (the "Division") prior to the ten calendar day deadline to request an administrative hearing. The licensee further alleges that it did not request a hearing, because it reasonably believed that all deficiencies had been resolved and that an administrative hearing was no longer needed in the matter. Although the Division contends that the Board's decision to revoke the licensee's video draw poker gaming license is consistent with gaming law, the Division is not opposed to a rehearing of this matter which would allow the Division to determine if the licensee is now in compliance with gaming law and allow for further proceedings on the merits of this matter before the Hearing Officer.

Louisiana Revised Statute 49:977.1(A) lists the grounds upon which an agency may rehear, reopen, or reconsider its decision and provides, in pertinent part:

- A. A decision or order in a case of adjudication shall be subject to rehearing, reopening, or reconsideration by the agency, within ten days from the date of entry. The grounds for action shall be one of the following:
  - (3) There is a showing that issues not previously considered ought to be

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(4) There is other good ground for further consideration of the issues and the evidence in the public interest.

Based on the record and testimony presented, the Board finds that the licensee has presented sufficient grounds for rehearing and reconsideration in accordance with La. R.S. 49:997.1(A)(3) and (4). This matter will be forwarded to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board's Administrative Hearing Office for a hearing on the merits of the allegations set forth in the Notice of Recommendation of Revocation dated December 20, 2024, where evidence may be introduced and a determination made in accordance with gaming law and regulations. Either party may then appeal.

ORDER

This matter having been considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in open meeting of March 20, 2025:

IT IS ORDERED THAT the request for rehearing and reconsideration of the Notice of Revocation dated January 16, 2025, filed by Royal Palace Investments, LLC d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino, No. 3601518053, is **GRANTED** and the matter is **FORWARDED** to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office for action in accordance with this decision.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 20th day of March, 2025.

BY:

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