

September 22, 2015

Senator Dean Heller
U.S. Senate
324 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Heller,

On behalf of the members of the American Gaming Association (AGA), I write to express our support of *The Jobs Originating Through Launching Travel (JOLT) Act*.

As the national trade association representing the U.S. casino gaming industry that proudly contributes \$240 billion annually to America's economy, supports more than 1.7 million jobs and generates \$38 billion in tax revenues, AGA believes it is critical for Congress to enact policies that provide greater efficiency for business and tourist travelers, while also reforming and strengthening the Secure Travel Partnership Program (STPP). *The JOLT Act* will help facilitate domestic and global travel without compromising security.

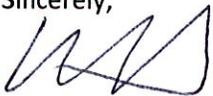
In collaboration with the U.S. Travel Association and other business industries, AGA has worked successfully with Congress and the Administration to support policies to ensure that our country is a favored destination for travelers from around the world. This partnership has helped ensure our industry's resilience as gaming continues as an economic engine helping to provide a gateway to the middle-class, while also providing a first-class entertainment experience for millions of customers.

The U.S. casino gaming industry will continue to rely on new security and travel efficiencies, many of which are proposed within *The JOLT Act* that include:

- Strengthening the Secure Travel Partnership Program (STPP);
- Enhanced passport security;
- Expedited processes for approved trusted travelers;
- New, faster programs for visa processing; and
- Increased encouragement of travel and tourism.

As such, thank you for your leadership by introducing *The JOLT Act*. AGA stands ready to support your efforts to advance this important legislation in the U.S. Senate.

Sincerely,



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cc: Senator Charles Schumer
Senator Amy Klobuchar