

## **Sample Municipal Resolution for Smokefree Casinos**

**WHEREAS**, the 212<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the State of New Jersey has introduced several bills to make casinos entirely smokefree; and

**WHEREAS**, a 1996 study conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, which measured employee exposure to secondhand smoke in an Atlantic city casino, recommended that tobacco use be eliminated from the workplace; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2006 United States Surgeon General's Report: The Health Consequences of Involuntary Exposure to Tobacco Smoke, concluded that there is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke; and smokefree air laws and policies do not have an adverse economic impact on the hospitality industry, including restaurants, bars, and casinos; and

**WHEREAS**, the public and workers in casinos, including New Jersey Casino Control Commission inspectors, deserve the same protection from second hand smoke as given to others in the State of New Jersey by the New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that by this Resolution the Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_ joins with the sponsors of these bills and calls for the protection of all workers in the State of New Jersey from the hazards of secondhand smoke by requiring that casinos be smokefree workplaces.