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Heather Maurer, Executive Director
National Council on Problem Gambling
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Via Email to: HeatherM@ncpgambling.org

Dear Executive Director Maurer,

I am writing to express my concern and disappointment regarding the National Council on Problem Gambling's ("NCPG") recently announced membership and investment partnership with Kalshi. Kalshi's active involvement in unlicensed sports gaming in Ohio, along with ongoing and unresolved regulatory and consumer-protection issues, stands in direct conflict with the standards of any organization committed to responsible gambling principles.

As you know, the Ohio Casino Control Commission ("Commission") has consistently maintained that prediction market platforms offering sporting event-related contracts in Ohio are operating in violation of Ohio law, similar to any other black market sports betting platform. The Commission has taken consistent steps to enforce Ohio law and is currently in litigation over Kalshi's continued disregard of Ohio law, including the regulations in place to mitigate gambling-related harms.

I appreciate NCPG's continued position of neutrality on gambling; however, NCPG's actions are not neutral. Instead, it seeks to legitimize an illegal sportsbook operating in Ohio and undercut the Commission's efforts to eliminate this source of unlicensed gambling. At a minimum, it creates consumer confusion as to whether this prediction market platform carries the same protection as licensed sports books. It does not. NCPG appears poised to partner with other prediction market companies through the creation of a new membership class designed for these illegal gambling operators.

Given the magnitude of these concerns, I must formally request the withdrawal of the Ohio Casino Control Commission from NCPG membership. Remaining affiliated under these circumstances is incompatible with our statutory responsibilities and our commitment to safeguarding the public from gambling-related risks. Accordingly, please remove all references to the Commission's membership or affiliation with NCPG immediately. Please also be aware that Commission employees will no longer serve on any board or committee of NCPG and will no longer attend any NCPG events, including the annual conference.

I regret this action is necessary but trust you will understand the Commission's need to ensure that it is not associated with organizations that are affiliated with companies engaged in illegal gambling in Ohio.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andromeda Morrison". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Andromeda Morrison
Interim Executive Director