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City Commends Commerce Casino for Business Leadership

Commerce, CA – Commerce Mayor John Soria is praising the actions taken by the Commerce Casino in continuing to pay all employee salaries and health benefits during the COVID-19 closure.

“The Commerce Casino has been an exceptional community partner and continues to demonstrate remarkable leadership during this crisis,” said Mayor Soria. “The Commerce Casino is putting employees and their families first, easing the worry and stress some may feel in this time of economic hardships. I commend their compassion and loyalty towards their workforce and hope they set an example to all businesses in how they take care of their employees.”

On March 14, The Commerce Hotel & Casino was one of the first organizations to announce a voluntary closure due to the COVID-19 crisis, before the mandatory Safe-At-Home orders issued by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and the Governor’s Office.

“When we took action to close, we said that every business should put public health and the safety of people above profits,” said Eric Rose, spokesperson for the Commerce Casino. “We understand that our employees who are staying at home are concerned about their future and must navigate the unknown. The national crisis is continually evolving, and we are committed to supporting our employees as best as possible while doing our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19.”

The City of Commerce is continuing to monitor the situation and is providing regularly updated information to all residents and businesses via social media and the COVID-19 page of the City’s website.

For more information on essential city services and programs during this state of emergency, please visit the City web site at www.ci.commerce.ca.us or call (323) 722-4805.

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