

CALL TO ACTION – YOUR VOTE IS NECESSARY!

REFERENDUM VOTE SUNDAY AUGUST 16, 2015

Polls Open from 10:00AM to 2:00PM

THIS REFERENDUM WILL UNDERMINE **ANY** OPPORTUNITY FOR **ANY** INVESTOR TO WORK WITH US ON **ANY** BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. NO INVESTOR IS WILLING TO INVEST IN A TRIBAL COMMUNITY WHO MAY OVERTURN A BUSINESS DECISION OR AGREEMENT AT A WHIM.

**THIS REFERENDUM IS AN INSULT
TO THE EXPRESSED WILL OF THE MAJORITY OF OUR TRIBAL MEMBERS!**

Vote **NO** to protect your tribal rights!

If you want to protect our sovereignty, provide economic self-sufficiency for our Tribe, provide employment opportunities and offer entrepreneurial opportunities to ALL Tribal Members.

Vote **NO** on the upcoming referendum!

**WITHOUT YOUR VOTE, the SELF-INTERESTS of the FEW will take away from
the OPPORTUNITIES of the MANY.**



Chronology of Consistent Tribal Support for Exercising our Gaming Rights

The Tribe has unwaveringly acted in support of exercising our Sovereign Rights to leverage all gaming opportunities as a means to improve access to key tribal member benefits such as health care, elder care, youth and education programs, housing, etc.

The Tribe has displayed this resounding and continued support by unequivocally voting to advance all of its gaming opportunities through the following **SIX** separate governmental actions.

Action 1: <i>August 2010</i>	General Membership votes to advance all on- and off-island Class II and Class III gaming opportunities.
Action 2: <i>May 6, 2012</i>	General Membership votes to approve the change in use of the community center to a Class II Bingo parlor.
Action 3: <i>May 16, 2012</i>	Tribal Council ratifies the May 6 th vote of the General Membership to change the use of the community center to a Class II Bingo parlor.
Action 4: <i>May 20, 2012</i>	General Membership votes for a second time to approve the change in use of the community center to a Class II Bingo parlor.
Action 5: <i>June 20, 2012</i>	Tribal Council again ratifies the May 2012 votes of the General Membership to repurpose the Community Center and advance all gaming options.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 2013 - General Membership requests an informational meeting. • February 2, 2014 – On Super-bowl Sunday, the AWGC provided a comprehensive presentation and listening session for the General Membership. • February 14, 2014 - A petition for referendum vote to overturn prior actions of General Membership and Tribal Council advancing gaming opportunities is filed at the last minute.
Action 6: <i>February 16, 2014</i>	Despite i) a failure to notify the entire General Membership of the intended secret referendum vote and ii) a failure to postpone meeting despite treacherous blizzard weather conditions, the Referendum still failed.

**NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT
YOUR VOTE IS CRUCIAL AND WE ALL HAVE A STAKE IN THE
OUTCOME . . . IT'S ALL OF OUR FUTURES**

In an exercise of our Sovereign right, the Tribe has expended significant resources in both time and dollars, to advance the General Memberships mandate to pursue gaming.

The Aquinnah Wampanoag Gaming Corporation (“AWGC”) and its development team have worked tirelessly to both defend and protect the Tribe’s right to conduct gaming based on this unwavering position, and have made enormous strides toward that end. These efforts have come at the cost of a massive amount of man hours, significant legal work and financial planning advice, as well as construction work and expenses; much of which has been deferred. In other words, most of our team is working without pay because they are committed to helping our Community and believe in our rights!

Most importantly, AWGC’s legal team continues to vigorously defend the Tribe’s Sovereign Right to protect and govern ourselves against the onslaught of legal attacks by the State, the Town of Aquinnah and the Town of Aquinnah Tax Payers Association, who are threatening our Sovereignty and right to govern in a manner that promotes the best interest and well-being of our Tribe.

OUR Tribal Lands belong to ALL Tribal Members.

We must utilize our limited resources to **BENEFIT ALL** Tribal Members. It is **TIME** to **SHARE** the benefits. It’s time to **ACT** like a **TRIBE** who **CARES** about **ALL** of its **MEMBERS**. It’s time for the **FEW** to temporarily sacrifice for the **MANY**.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND VOTE

If you want ALL Tribal Members to have the opportunity to receive: Health Benefits; Elder’s Services, Child Care Services, Educational Services like Tutoring and increased Scholarships, Affordable Housing and Access to Emergency Assistance; regardless of where we reside;

YOUR VOTE AGAINST THIS REFERENDUM IS CRITICAL

We need your help to keep us moving forward for the benefit of our ENTIRE Membership. Early transportation to and from the Steamship Authority ferry will be provided from (4 or 5) pick up locations in MA and RI. Rides will be provided on a first come first serve basis. If you need transportation to the ferry please call: 508-317-2671 or 508-328-8178 or email awgc@wampanoagtribe.net to leave a message with your name, and contact information.

Come and Vote NO on the upcoming referendum!