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Michigan Gaming Control Board announces appointment of Mark Evenson

DETROIT, Sept. 12, 2024 — The Michigan Gaming Control Board (MGCB) is pleased to announce Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's appointment of **Mark Evenson** as a new board member, representing the Republican Party. Evenson, a seasoned financial executive from South Lyon, is the Chief Financial Officer at Diversified Members Credit Union. His appointment took effect on Sept. 10, 2024, and will continue through Dec. 31, 2026.

Evenson succeeds Northville resident Robert (Bob) Anthony, a senior risk and quality partner of Pricewaterhouse Coopers, LLP, who had resigned.

"We are excited to welcome Mark Evenson to the Michigan Gaming Control Board," MGCB Executive Director Henry Williams said. "His extensive background in corporate finance and community service will be invaluable as we continue our



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mission of ensuring fair and honest gaming operations across Michigan. His leadership will further strengthen our efforts to protect the interests of Michigan's citizens and uphold the integrity of gaming within the state."

Evenson brings with him a wealth of experience in management and corporate finance. He holds a bachelor's degree in management from Eastern Michigan University and a master's degree in corporate finance from Walsh College. His leadership experience extends beyond the finance industry, having served for four years on the board of directors of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, including a year as the Chairman of the Board. He has also held other volunteer positions, including as a trustee with the Plymouth Canton Schools Educational Excellence Foundation and as a volunteer with the Plymouth Community United Way.

"I am humbled by the opportunity to be appointed to serve in this capacity," **Evenson** said. "I'm looking forward to making an impact with the Board and our community as a whole."

The MGCB is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing the provisions of the law related to the licensure, regulation, and operations of the three authorized Detroit casinos — MGM Grand Detroit, MotorCity Casino, and Hollywood Casino at Greektown. The agency also licenses and regulates fantasy contests, regulates pari-mutuel horse racing and casino-style charitable gaming

(millionaire parties), and audits tribal gaming compact agreements for the state's 12 federally recognized tribes.

The Board is comprised of five Michigan residents appointed by the Governor, with one member designated by the Governor as the chairperson. Under the <u>Michigan Gaming Control & Revenue Act</u>, no more than three members may belong to the same political party.

As of this appointment, there are no more vacant seats on the five-member Board. Three members are required to be in attendance and present at meetings in order to form a quorum to conduct regular business. The 2024-2025 regular public meeting schedule can be found on the agency's website at Michigan.gov/MGCB and the next meeting will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at Cadillac Place in Detroit.

Gambling in any form is for entertainment purposes only. If you or someone you know may have a gambling problem, contact the National Problem Gambling Helpline at **1-800-GAMBLER**, text 800GAM, or visit www.1800gamblerchat.org. Help is available 24/7 and is free and confidential. Michigan citizens can also visit the Responsible Gaming page of the MGCB website for information on self-exclusion programs including the Disassociated Persons List and the Internet Gaming and Sports Betting Responsible Gaming Database, and DontRegretTheBet.org for additional tools to game responsibly.

The Michigan Gaming Control Board shall ensure the conduct of fair and honest gaming to protect the interests of the citizens of the state of Michigan. Learn more at Michigan.gov/MGCB.