any of you can ever forget that great joy that was
heard above the roar of the crowd. It was called,
"Bingo."

Any attempt to curtail the activity of
people pursuing enjoyment through a legal enterprise
surely must be immoral. An able bodied person willing
to work but having no job, I suggest to you, is more
immoral.

Killing is immoral. Even the needless
kill of a goose, especially the goose that lays the
golden egg.

So I say to you: we here in Atlantic City
stand opposed to any further regulation or taxation of
this industry, and we implore you please do not cook
our goose.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN JAMES: Harvey Fogel.

(Applause.)

MR. FOGEL: Thank you. Good evening.

I am a lifelong resident in the area and
now a Margate resident. I'm president of the New Jersey
Council on Compulsive Gambling, Director of the
Atlantic Care Behavioral Health No Dice Program which
treats compulsive gamblers in Atlantic City and McKee
City, and I'm also a practicing pharmacist in the
State of New Jersey, and I still found time to be here
tonight.

In my practice at the Atlantic Care
Behavioral Health Program, I have treated everything
from ex-millionaires to nickel slot players and
everything in between, including running a MIGA group,
which is a mentally ill gambling addicted program.

Many of my people that come to me are from
the casino industry, and during the course of this
practice, we have tried many successful forms of
treatment, including biofeedback, group, individual,
family, even medicine at times, and of course,
referral to Gamblers Anonymous.

Little has been said today about the
families because I have seen much destruction in my
course of practice, the destruction of the family.
Some of that destruction has been unbelievable.
College monies lost, futures destroyed, and worse than
that, very little outside of Gamblers Anonymous available
for these families to help in their treatment and most of this due to lack of funding.

Many strides have been made toward the understanding of this illness and the nature of the disease of pathological gambling. Brain chemistry has been studied, and treatment of the malfunction of the brain is being continually thought of and looked at in a careful way.

But without funding, the treatment for these people has not been able to get the proper statistics available to give them, to show them what is available for this treatment.

The proper treatment, as you all have heard today, is available. Gamblers Anonymous helps many hundreds of thousands of people in the State of New Jersey yearly, but sometimes people need more than that.

You've heard many of these stories tonight, but sometimes these people need professional help, and help is not being made available. In the State of New Jersey last year, almost $963 million was received from the revenue of gaming in this state, and
only $100,000 was put aside for treatment.

In this county alone we received -- in this county we received $16,666 to treat compulsive gamblers in a city that has 12 casinos.

I strongly suggest that this Commission, when making any recommendations, look at the fact that money must be made available for the treatment of this illness, and without such treatment, it would be a sham and a disgrace.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN JAMES: Thank you.

Jane -- is it Flipping, Flipping?

MS. FLIPPING: Yes. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN JAMES: Welcome.

MS. FLIPPING: Good evening, and welcome to Atlantic City.

CHAIRMAN JAMES: Thank you.

MS. FLIPPING: It's the brand new Atlantic City that we want you to know about, and it's a city where I have raised two sons who joined the service through the Marines and the Air Corps, left after ten years and came back to this city to join the Greater