AN OPEN LETTER FROM

JOHN BLOCH, SERGIO PORRES, AND ADAM MULLER

TO THE CITIZENS OF IRVING

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As Election Day nears, we write together—as the candidates for District 1, District 2, and District 7, respectively—that we may convey two points to you, the voters, with full clarity:

- 1. This election is, in fact, about the Sands Corporation casino.
- 2. We fully and emphatically oppose the casino.

Our opposition has claimed that the casino is a "dead issue." Yet a political group connected to the Sands Corporation has, in mere days, spent almost \$100,000 to support our opponents. They will spend much more than this through Election Day.

This fact alone proves the point. Sands would not care so intensely about this election if the casino were a "dead issue." It is not. To say otherwise is, simply put, dishonest and insulting to the intelligence of Irving's citizens.

And it is no surprise the Sands Corporation is supporting our opponents. They have not opposed the casino as we have. Our opponents, in different ways, have dodged a clear "up-or-down" position on the casino. This is not an acceptable position to take on what is, in all likelihood, the most important political question the City of Irving has ever faced.

This election, without any doubt, is about the casino. We zealously oppose it. And we have the power to stop it.

As Sands knows, the City Council can, by its zoning powers, prevent a casino from being built and operating in Irving. This is not an issue that will be decided in Austin, nor should it be. Irving's voters should decide whether the world's largest casino should be allowed to operate amidst its neighborhoods and schools.

If you also oppose the casino—and the myriad crime it will bring, including human trafficking, drunk driving, and violent crime—cast your vote for us. If elected, we pledge to use the City's zoning powers to stop the casino.

You will decide this election, not the Sands Corporation. Give us your vote, and we will fight for you.

Faithfully,

John Bloch, Candidate for District 1

Sergio Porres, Candidate for District 2

Adam Muller, Candidate for District 7