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Economist Responds to Criticism from the Gun Lake Tribe

Kalamazoo, MI – West Michigan Businesses will lose and taxpayers will pick up the difference. This was the key message of “Market and Economic Impacts of a Tribal Casino in Wayland Township, Michigan” by Anderson Economic Group. But a critique, released by Jonathon B. Taylor, on behalf of the Gun Lake Tribe, has attempted to discredit that message. In response, 23 is Enough, a . . . and South West Michigan First, an economic development corporation, has scheduled a news conference.

At the conference, Pat Anderson of the Anderson Economic Group will not only respond to the Gun Lake Tribe’s Analysis, but also unveil post-analysis observations. Craig DeNooyer, President of Southwest Michigan First, will release details of his organization’s opposition to the proposed Gun Lake casino, and Mike Jandernoa, former CEO/Chairman of Perrigo Company and Chairman of 23 is Enough, will comment on the status of the casino proposal.

WHO: **23 is Enough and South West Michigan First:**
Mike Jandernoa, former CEO/Chairman of Perrigo Company (largest employer in Allegan County) and chairman of 23 is Enough Committee
Patrick Anderson, Founder, Principal and Chief Economist, The Anderson Economic Group
Craig DeNooyer, President, Southwest Michigan First (Economic Development Corporation)

WHAT: **News Conference Regarding the Proposed Gun Lake Casino**
Anderson Economic Group Response to Gun Lake Tribe’s Analysis
Anderson Economic Group Unveils Post-Analysis Observations
Southwest Michigan First Economic Development Corporation Detailed Public Opposition to proposed Gun Lake casino

WHERE: Radisson Plaza Hotel
100 West Michigan Ave.
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

WHEN: Thursday, May 16, 2005
3:30pm – 4:00pm

“23 is Enough” Political Action Committee is a group of business and community leaders in Michigan who are opposed to the expansion of casinos in Michigan. Michigan is well on its way to becoming the “Las Vegas” of the Midwest, with more than 20 casinos now in operation. Compacts have also been approved for three more casinos, tentatively planned for Battle Creek, Romulus, and New Buffalo (not yet in operation). That is a running total of 23 casinos, placing Michigan among the top four states in the country for the most number of casinos—and these numbers do not even include the proposed Gun Lake/Allegan casino and several others being contemplated.

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