



# ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD

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## Press Release

For Immediate Release  
March 31, 2020

### **Gaming Board announces extension of suspension for all licensed video gaming operations and casino gambling operations through April 30, 2020.**

**CHICAGO** – To prevent the further spread of the unprecedented COVID-19 virus, the Illinois Gaming Board has extended the suspension of all video gaming operations at all licensed establishments of any kind and all casino gambling operations in Illinois until at least April 30, 2020. The health and safety of patrons, gaming industry employees, Gaming Board staff, and all others in Illinois is the Gaming Board’s top priority.

The Gaming Board is monitoring developments regarding COVID-19 and will continue to make decisions based on science, public health guidance, and applicable law and rules. We will also continue to update licensees and other stakeholders as new information becomes available.



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As Administrator of the Illinois Gaming Board, and to prevent the further spread of the novel COVID-19 virus, I am hereby extending the continued suspension of all video gaming operations of any kind in Illinois that fall within the jurisdiction of the Gaming Board under the Video Gaming Act, and of all casino gambling operations that fall within the jurisdiction of the Gaming Board under the Illinois Gambling Act. All video gaming operations at all licensed video gaming establishments of any kind and all licensed casino gambling operations in Illinois are suspended through April 30, 2020. The Gaming Board will continue to review current public health guidance to decide whether another extension of the suspension period is warranted.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Marcus D. Fruchter".

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Marcus D. Fruchter  
Administrator