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GOVERNOR

HENRY L. WILLIAMS, JR. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In the matter of:

CANCELLATION OF LIVE RACING AT NORTHVILLE DOWNS ON SATURDAY JANUAURY 27, 2024

ORDER CANCELLING LIVE RACING ON JANUARY 27, 2024, AT NORTHVILLE DOWNS

Pursuant to §6 of the Order Granting a 2024 Race Meeting License and 2024 Simulcast Permit (Order), live racing dates cannot be cancelled except for those reasons permissible under the Horse Racing Law of 1995 (HRL), MCL 431.301 through 431.336, and administrative rules.

Section 12(4) of the HRL provides for the cancellation of a live racing day because of adverse weather conditions or other causes beyond the race meeting licensee's control. MCL 431.312(4). If cancelled for adverse weather conditions or other causes beyond the race meeting licensee's control, "the race meeting licensee is considered to have conducted those races or that race date for purposes of this act and is not precluded from conducting any simulcasts because of the licensee's inability to conduct those live races or that race date."

The race meeting licensee, Northville Downs, has advised that, due to weather conditions, the racetrack is unstable and unsafe. The State Stewards have inspected and verified the track conditions and determined that the condition of the track is a cause beyond the race meeting licensee's control. Further, it is in the best interest of racing to cancel ensuring the safety of the horses, participants, and racing personnel. Therefore, it is ordered that live racing is cancelled at Northville Downs on Saturday, January 27, 2024

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 27, 2024

Henry Williams, Executive Director Michigan Gaming Control Board