

## APPENDIX A



Hamilton-Halton Chapter  
MS Society of Canada  
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Town of Oakville  
1225 Trafalgar Rd.  
Oakville, ON L6H 0H3  
Attn: Michelle Bilan, Licensing Officer

Re: MS Society of Canada, Hamilton-Halton Chapter Lottery License Eligibility Cover Letter

August 23, 2018

Dear Ms. Bilan,

The Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society of Canada provides services to people living with multiple sclerosis and their families, as well as funds research to find the cause and cure for this disease. We have a national membership of about 17,000 and are the only national voluntary organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services. Since our founding in 1948, the core support of the MS Society of Canada has been tens of thousands of dedicated individuals, foundations and companies in communities across Canada. The Society receives almost no funding from government, yet funding of the Hamilton-Halton Chapter is essential in order to provide support services to those affected by MS in the Oakville community, including (but not limited to): information and referral services, support groups, wellness programs, education sessions, long-term care visiting programs and funding for medical equipment.

While we don't have a bricks and mortar presence in Oakville, this has not impacted our role or ability to serve those affected by MS in the Oakville community. We hold a monthly support group in Oakville and we have provided funding assistance to over 80 individuals living with MS in Oakville.

The annual MS Walk was held in Oakville on Sunday May 6, 2018 with over 185 participants and over 40% of them were first-time participants. This unfortunately may indicate an increase in newly diagnosed individuals, but it also portrays an interest in getting involved with MS Society of Canada events.

We would appreciate the opportunity to be considered as a charity able to conduct and manage charitable gaming events in Oakville. Revenue generated from our participation in charitable gaming events would greatly assist individuals and their families affected by multiple sclerosis that live in Oakville.

Thank you for your generous consideration. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cathy Hall'.

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