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CITY REACTION TO CIAM CRIMINAL CHARGES

The comments below may be attributed to the City officials identified in relation to the criminal charges filed against the past operators of Grossinger Motors Arena (f/k/a U.S. Cellular Coliseum). To protect the integrity of the criminal proceedings, the City will not have any further comment related to the arrests.

Karen Schmidt, Mayor Pro Tem:

"We have, and always will be, committed to seeing crimes committed against the City uncovered and prosecuted. We are appreciative to all those involved in the investigation."

"I am confident these serious allegations will be handled properly by the judicial system."

David Hales, City Manager:

"The City is extremely grateful for the hard work of the State Police."

"This has been a long and thorough investigation to date and we appreciate the patience of the public during this process."

Jeffrey R. Jurgens, Corporation Counsel:

"An alarming number of charges were brought today alleging that CIAM officers and affiliates were committing a deeply complex, ongoing criminal scheme against the City."

"No City employee or official is alleged to be involved in any of the charges that were filed."

"Due to the pending criminal cases, the City cannot discuss the allegations or share other information related to the investigation at this time."

"To protect the integrity of the criminal proceedings, the City cannot provide further comment on the charges."

Lynn Cannon, Executive Director of Grossinger Motors Arena:

"The Arena is a wonderful facility and asset to the Community. We remain focused on the Arena's bright future and bringing it to its full potential."

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