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Hello,

I strongly recommend that the consent decrees remain as they are. Any changes will undoubtedly result in increased fees being levied against thousands of performance venues located in both large and small towns throughout America. Many of these venues are already facing financial losses in the billions and the recovery of the venues that are not forced to permanently close due to the pandemic will be years not months. We rely heavily on revenue earned through ticket sales. Now is not the time to make any changes to the existing consent decrees.

Best.

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