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**FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
OF SECURITIES OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE COMPANIES**

Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in governing instruments)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration Statement has been prepared on a prospective basis on the assumption that, among other things, the spin-off of the Registrant from Penn National Gaming, Inc. (as described in the Prospectus which is a part of this Registration Statement) and the related transactions contemplated to occur prior to or contemporaneously with the spin-off will be consummated as contemplated by the Prospectus. There can be no assurance, however, that any or all of such transactions will occur or will occur as so contemplated. Any significant modifications to or variations in the transactions contemplated will be reflected in an amendment or supplement to this Registration Statement.

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, dated October 4, 2013

PROSPECTUS

Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc. Shares of Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

This Prospectus is being furnished to you as a shareholder of Penn National Gaming, Inc. ("Penn") in connection with the pro rata distribution (the "Spin-Off") to Penn shareholders, following the Carlino Stock Exchange (as defined below), of all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc. (the "Registrant," "Company" or "GLPI"), currently a wholly-owned subsidiary of Penn that at the time of the distribution will hold directly or indirectly substantially all of the assets and liabilities associated with Penn's real property interests and real estate development business, as well as the assets and liabilities of the Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge and the Hollywood Casino Perryville, owned by Penn immediately prior to the Spin-Off. This Prospectus also covers up to 222,819 shares of our common stock that may be issuable pursuant to outstanding awards granted under Penn's long term incentive compensation plans to individuals who, at the time of the Spin-Off, are no longer employed by or serving on the board of directors of Penn or GLPI.

To implement the Spin-Off, Penn (and its affiliates) and the Company will effect a series of restructuring transactions following which Penn will distribute all outstanding shares of GLPI common stock to the holders of Penn common and preferred stock. Each of you, as a holder of Penn common stock or Penn Series C convertible preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Penn Series C preferred stock"), will receive one share of common stock of GLPI for every share of Penn common stock and every 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock that you held at the close of business on October 16, 2013, the record date for the Spin-Off. Peter M. Carlino, who we sometimes refer to as "Mr. Carlino," and a related trust will also exchange shares of Penn common stock for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the Spin-Off (the "Carlino Stock Exchange") and Mr. Carlino will exchange options to acquire Penn common stock for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off (the "Carlino Option Exchange," and together with the Carlino Stock Exchange, the "Compliance Exchanges" and, together with the Spin-Off, the "Separation"). Penn will engage in the Compliance Exchanges with Mr. Carlino to ensure that each member of the Carlino family beneficially owns less than 10% of the outstanding shares of Penn common stock for certain federal tax purposes following the Separation, so that GLPI can qualify to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Absent a re-alignment of the ownership interests of Mr. Carlino and/or other persons related to the Carlino family, GLPI will not be able to qualify as a REIT and the Spin-Off may not occur.

Immediately after the Spin-Off is completed, GLPI will be a separate public company. All of the outstanding shares of the common stock of GLPI are currently owned directly or indirectly by Penn. Accordingly, there currently is no public trading market for the common stock of GLPI. GLPI intends to list its common stock under the ticker symbol "GLPI" on the NASDAQ Stock Market.

We intend to elect and qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which we currently expect to occur commencing with our taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014 (the "REIT Conversion"). To assist us in qualifying to be taxed as a REIT, among other purposes, our charter will contain certain restrictions relating to the ownership and transfer of our stock, including and subject to certain exceptions with respect to certain members of the Carlino family and FIF V PFD LLC, an affiliate of Fortress Investment Group LLC that is referred to in this Prospectus as Fortress, a provision generally restricting shareholders from owning more than 7% by value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive, of our outstanding shares of capital stock without the prior consent of our board of directors. See "Description of Capital Stock of GLPI Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer" for a detailed description of the ownership and transfer restrictions applicable to our common stock.

We are an "emerging growth company" as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and, as such, are allowed (but have elected not) to provide in this Prospectus more limited disclosures than an issuer that would not so qualify. In addition, for so long as we remain an emerging growth company, we may also take advantage of certain limited exceptions from investor protection laws such as the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the Investor Protection and Securities Reform Act of 2010 for limited periods. Please see "Summary JOBS Act."

No vote of Penn shareholders is required in connection with the Separation. Neither Penn nor the Company is asking you for a proxy, and you are not requested to send us a proxy. Penn shareholders will not be required to pay any consideration for the shares of common

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stock of the Company they receive in the Separation, and (except for Mr. Carlino, Fortress and Centerbridge Capital Partners, L.P., Centerbridge Capital Partners Strategic, L.P. and Centerbridge Capital Partners SBS, L.P., as described below) they will not be required to surrender or exchange shares of their Penn common or preferred stock or take any other action in connection with the Separation.

In reviewing this Prospectus, you should carefully consider the matters described under the caption "Risk Factors" beginning on page 13 of this prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this Prospectus is [], 2013.

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You should not assume that the information contained in this Prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date set forth on the cover. Changes to the information contained in this Prospectus may occur after that date and the Company does not undertake any obligation to update the information unless required to do so by law.

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SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus and may not contain all of the information that may be important to you. For a more complete understanding of our business and the Spin-Off, you should read this summary together with the more detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Prospectus. You should read this entire Prospectus carefully, including the "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Statements" sections. "GLPI," "the Company," "we," "our," and "us" refer to GLPI and our subsidiaries.

Our Company

GLPI is a newly formed company that was incorporated in Pennsylvania on February 13, 2013. Its principal offices are currently located at 825 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 400, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania. Its main telephone number will be (610) 401-2900 as of the Spin-Off. GLPI intends to make an election on its federal income tax return for its taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014 to be treated as a REIT, and GLPI, together with an indirectly wholly owned subsidiary of GLPI, GLP Holdings, Inc., will jointly elect to treat each of GLP Holdings, Inc., Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. and Penn Cecil Maryland, Inc. as a "taxable REIT subsidiary" (a "TRS") effective on the first day of the first taxable year of GLPI as a REIT, as defined below.

Following the distribution of GLPI shares by Penn to Penn's shareholders, GLPI will be a publicly-traded, self-administered, self-managed REIT primarily engaged in the property business, which will consist of owning, acquiring, developing, expanding, managing, and leasing gaming and related facilities. GLPI will be the first gaming-focused REIT, and expects to grow its portfolio by aggressively pursuing opportunities to acquire additional gaming facilities to lease to gaming operators, which may include Penn. GLPI also anticipates diversifying its portfolio over time, including by acquiring properties outside the gaming industry to lease to third parties.

GLPI expects to generate its revenues in the property business primarily by leasing gaming facilities to gaming operators in "triple-net" lease arrangements, a business model common to a number of publicly-traded REITs in other industries and which GLPI expects to exist with respect to any lease transactions that would be entered into by future REIT competitors of GLPI. Initially, GLPI's portfolio will consist of 21 gaming and related facilities (including two properties under development in Dayton, OH and Mahoning Valley, OH). GLP Capital, L.P., a subsidiary of GLPI through which GLPI will own substantially all of its assets, will lease all but two of its gaming and related facilities to Penn Tenant, LLC, a subsidiary of Penn, under a master lease agreement, as discussed below in section "Relationship between GLPI and Penn after the Spin-Off The Master Lease." Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. and Penn Cecil Maryland, Inc., both of which will be wholly owned subsidiaries of GLP Holdings, Inc., operate and will operate (following the Spin-Off) the Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge and the Hollywood Casino Perryville, respectively, which are two gaming facilities of GLPI that will not be subject to this master lease agreement, and which we refer to as the "TRS Properties." Our portfolio of 21 properties (including two properties under development in Dayton, OH and Mahoning Valley, OH), comprising approximately 6.6 million square feet of building space and approximately 3,220 acres of owned and leased land, is diversified by location across 13 states. We believe our geographic diversification will limit the effect of changes in any one market on our overall performance.

Approximately 900 current employees of Penn are expected to be employed by GLPI following the Spin-Off. Substantially all of these employees will be employed at Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. and Penn Cecil Maryland, Inc., both of which will be wholly owned subsidiaries of GLP Holdings, Inc., in connection with the operation of the TRS Properties.

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To maintain REIT status, we must meet a number of organizational and operational requirements, including a requirement that we annually distribute to our shareholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding any net capital gains. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

Overview of the Separation

The board of directors of Penn has announced a plan to separate its operating assets and real property assets, along with their associated liabilities, into two separate, publicly traded companies: an operating entity and a REIT. Penn will accomplish the separation by contributing substantially all of the assets and liabilities associated with Penn's real property interests and real estate development business, as well as the assets and liabilities of the TRS Properties that will be operated by its TRSs, to GLPI through a series of internal corporate restructurings and then distributing all of the outstanding shares of GLPI common stock owned by Penn immediately prior to the Spin-Off to holders of Penn common stock and Penn Series C preferred stock. Prior to the Spin-Off, GLPI and Penn will enter into a separation and distribution agreement setting forth the mechanics of the Spin-Off, certain organizational matters and other ongoing obligations of Penn and GLPI (the "Separation and Distribution Agreement"). Penn and GLPI or their respective subsidiaries, as applicable, will also enter into a number of other agreements prior to the Spin-Off to provide a framework for the restructuring and for the relationships between GLPI and Penn that will exist following the Closing.

Upon satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to the Spin-Off, which are described in more detail in "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off," Penn will effect the Spin-Off by distributing one share of common stock of GLPI to the holders of Penn common stock and Penn Series C preferred stock for every share of Penn common stock and 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock that they will hold at the close of business on October 16, 2013, the record date for the Spin-Off.

As of September 30, 2013, members of the Carlino family each beneficially owned 12,730,743 or fewer shares of Penn common stock (including stock options and restricted shares), which represents beneficial ownership of approximately 14.5% or less of Penn's outstanding common stock for the purpose of determining whether GLPI, directly or indirectly, receives any rent from related party tenants under relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of GLPI Requirements for Qualification General." Penn, GLPI and Mr. Carlino expect to enter into an Exchange Agreement prior to the declaration of the Spin-Off (the "Carlino Exchange Agreement") providing for the Compliance Exchanges, the effect of which will be to reduce the beneficial ownership of Penn of each of the members of the Carlino family immediately following the Separation, for the purpose of determining compliance with the "related party tenant rule," to 9.9% or less of Penn's outstanding common stock, so that GLPI can qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Absent this re-alignment of ownership interests, GLPI will not be able to qualify as a REIT and the Spin-Off may not occur. The Compliance Exchanges will also result in a corresponding increase in each member of the Carlino family's beneficial ownership of GLPI immediately following the Separation, to approximately 16.3% or less of GLPI's outstanding common stock for these purposes.

The Carlino Exchange Agreement is expected to provide that Mr. Carlino and a related trust will deliver all of the shares of Penn common stock that they hold to Penn on the business day prior to the record date for the Spin-Off in exchange for .407 shares of GLPI common stock for each share of Penn common stock. The value of Penn common stock and GLPI common stock was determined for purposes of setting this exchange ratio by applying multiples of 6.8x for Penn (pro forma for the Spin-Off) and 12.5x for GLPI to the projected adjusted EBITDA (defined as net income excluding interest, taxes, stock compensation, depreciation and amortization, and gain or loss on disposal of assets) of Penn and GLPI, respectively, for the calendar year 2013. The Carlino Exchange Agreement is also expected to provide that Mr. Carlino will deliver to Penn, on the second business day following the

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distribution date for the Spin-Off, the minimum number of options to acquire Penn common stock that must be cancelled so that, immediately following such time, the beneficial ownership of Penn common stock of each of the members of the Carlino family, for the purpose of determining compliance with the "related party tenant rule," will be no greater than 9.9%, and in exchange Mr. Carlino will receive options to acquire GLPI common stock with an equivalent aggregate intrinsic value. The Carlino Exchange Agreement also imposes certain transfer and other restrictions on Mr. Carlino to ensure that GLPI may qualify as a REIT, including a prohibition on any acquisition by Mr. Carlino of shares of Penn common stock that would increase the beneficial ownership of Penn of certain members of the Carlino family (for the purpose of determining whether GLPI, directly or indirectly, receives any rent from related party tenants under relevant provisions of the Code) above 9.9% for so long as Penn is considered a related party tenant of GLPI. Although Mr. Carlino, Penn and GLPI have agreed in principle to effect the Carlino Exchange Agreement as described above, the Carlino Exchange Agreement has not been executed and no assurance can be given that such agreement, or another agreement providing for the Compliance Exchanges, will be executed and delivered.

Penn and the independent members of Penn's board of directors have engaged Duff & Phelps, LLC ("Duff & Phelps") to serve as an independent financial advisor to Penn's independent directors and to provide an opinion as to the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the contemplated transactions with Peter M. Carlino described above, as well as the contemplated transactions with Fortress described below. On November 15, 2012 and September 26, 2013, the independent members of the board of directors of Penn received a written opinion from Duff & Phelps, as of the applicable date and based upon and subject to the procedures followed, assumptions made, qualifications and limitations on the review undertaken and other matters considered by Duff & Phelps in preparing its opinion, that the consideration to be received by Peter M. Carlino and the related trust in the Separation (as described above) is fair from a financial point of view to the shareholders of Penn (other than shareholders who are members of the Carlino family or trusts for their benefit and Fortress, and without giving effect to any impact of the Separation on any particular shareholder other than in its capacity as a shareholder), assuming for purposes of the November 15, 2012 opinion that the Compliance Exchanges consist solely of the Carlino Stock Exchange according to an exchange ratio determined based on the multiples described above, and then reflecting for purposes of the September 26, 2013 opinion the actual exchange ratio of .407 shares of GLPI common stock for each share of Penn common stock and reflecting the Carlino Option Exchange as well as the Carlino Stock Exchange. Each of Duff & Phelps' opinions was directed to the independent members of the board of directors of Penn and only addressed the fairness from a financial point of view of the consideration to be received by Mr. Carlino and the trust in the Separation, and does not address any other aspect or implication of the Separation, except as described in "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off Fortress."

As of September 30, 2013, there were 12,050 shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock of Penn ("Penn Series B preferred stock") outstanding, 9,750 of which were held by Fortress and 2,300 of which were collectively held by Centerbridge Capital Partners, L.P., Centerbridge Capital Partners Strategic, L.P. and Centerbridge Capital Partners SBS, L.P., referred to collectively as Centerbridge. Penn has entered into agreements with the holders of its outstanding Penn Series B preferred stock to redeem for cash, or exchange for Penn Series C preferred stock, all of the outstanding Penn Series B preferred stock prior to the record date of the Spin-Off. Additionally, prior to the record date for the Spin-Off, Penn will have the right to purchase from Fortress the number of shares of Penn Series C preferred stock required to ensure that, immediately following the consummation of the Spin-Off, Fortress will own not more than 9.9% of GLPI's common stock, so that GLPI can qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. For more detail, see "The Separation Treatment of Penn Preferred Stock in the Spin-Off."

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In the Separation, Penn will allocate its accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) for periods prior to the consummation of the Separation between Penn and GLPI in a manner that, in its best judgment, is in accordance with the provisions of the Code. In connection with its election to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI will declare a dividend to its shareholders to distribute any accumulated earnings and profits relating to the real property assets and attributable to any pre-REIT years, including any earnings and profits allocated to GLPI in connection with the Separation, to comply with certain REIT qualification requirements (the "Purging Distribution"). We estimate that the Purging Distribution will total approximately \$1.05 billion, or approximately \$11.81 per share of GLPI common stock outstanding immediately prior to the Purging Distribution. The Purging Distribution will be paid in a combination of cash and GLPI stock, which Penn anticipates will consist of approximately 26% cash and 74% GLPI stock. See "The Separation The Purging Distribution" for detail, including detail on the calculation of the per share estimate.

The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. In addition, the Spin-Off is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of a number of conditions. These conditions include the receipt of all gaming approvals required to be obtained prior to the Spin-Off. See "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off."

Our Relationship with Penn

To govern their ongoing relationship, in connection with the Spin-Off, Penn and GLPI or their respective subsidiaries, as applicable, will enter into: (i) the Separation and Distribution Agreement, (ii) a master lease agreement (the "Master Lease") pursuant to which GLP Capital, L.P., as landlord, will lease to Penn Tenant, LLC, a subsidiary of Penn, as tenant, the GLPI assets relating to the business of Penn (excluding the TRS Properties), (iii) an agreement relating to tax matters (the "Tax Matters Agreement"), (iv) an agreement pursuant to which Penn will provide certain services to GLPI on a transitional basis (the "Transition Services Agreement") and (v) an agreement relating to employee matters (the "Employee Matters Agreement"). The agreements that we will enter into with Penn in connection with the Spin-Off, including the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Master Lease, Tax Matters Agreement, Employee Matters Agreement and Transition Services Agreement, have been negotiated in the context of the Separation while we are still a wholly owned subsidiary of Penn. Accordingly, during the period in which the terms of those agreements were negotiated, we did not have an independent board of directors or a management team independent of Penn. As a result, although those agreements are generally intended to reflect arm's-length terms, the terms of those agreements may not reflect terms that would have resulted from arm's-length negotiations between unaffiliated third parties. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the terms of these agreements will be as favorable for GLPI as would have resulted from negotiations with one or more unrelated third parties.

Financing

In connection with the Spin-Off, (i) GLPI and its subsidiary, GLP Capital, L.P., expect to enter into senior unsecured credit facilities, comprised of a \$850 million revolving credit facility (which is expected to be reduced to \$700 million at or about the time of the Spin-Off) and a \$300 million term loan facility, and (ii) GLP Capital, L.P. expects to issue \$2.05 billion in senior unsecured notes, which senior notes will be guaranteed by GLPI. GLPI and GLP Capital, L.P. expect to have \$75 million of indebtedness outstanding under the revolving credit facility immediately following the Spin-Off.

Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer of Our Common Stock

To assist us in complying with the limitations on the concentration of ownership of REIT stock imposed by the Code, among other purposes, our charter will provide for restrictions on ownership and

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transfer of our shares of stock, including, subject to certain exceptions, prohibitions on any person beneficially or constructively owning more than 7% of the outstanding shares of our common stock or more than 7% in value or in number, whichever is more restrictive, of the outstanding shares of all classes and series of our stock. A person that did not acquire more than 7% of our outstanding stock may become subject to our charter restrictions if repurchases by us cause such person's holdings to exceed 7% of our outstanding stock. Our board will make exceptions to the ownership limit for certain existing shareholders and, under certain circumstances, our board of directors may also waive the ownership limits. Our charter will provide that shares of our capital stock acquired or held in excess of the ownership limit will be transferred to a trust for the benefit of a designated charitable beneficiary, and that any person who acquires shares of our capital stock in violation of the ownership limit will not be entitled to any dividends on the shares or be entitled to vote the shares or receive any proceeds from the subsequent sale of the shares in excess of the lesser of the market price on the day the shares were transferred to the trust or the amount realized from the sale. We or our designee will have the right to purchase the shares from the trustee at this calculated price as well. A transfer of shares of our capital stock by a shareholder in violation of the limit may be void under certain circumstances. Our 7% ownership limitation may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of GLPI, including an extraordinary transaction (such as a merger, tender offer or sale of all or substantially all of our assets) that might provide a premium price for our shareholders. See "Description of Capital Stock of GLPI Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer."

In addition, all of GLPI's outstanding capital stock shall be held subject to applicable gaming laws. Our charter will provide that capital stock of GLPI that is owned or controlled by an unsuitable person or an affiliate of an unsuitable person will be transferred to a trust for the benefit of a designated charitable beneficiary, and that any such unsuitable person or affiliate will not be entitled to any dividends on the shares or be entitled to vote the shares or receive any proceeds from the subsequent sale of the shares in excess of the lesser of the price paid by the unsuitable person or affiliate for the shares or the amount realized from the sale, in each case less a discount in a percentage (up to 100%) to be determined by our board of directors in its sole and absolute discretion. The shares shall additionally be redeemable by GLPI, out of funds legally available for that redemption, to the extent required by the gaming authorities making the determination of unsuitability or to the extent determined to be necessary or advisable by our board, at a redemption price equal to the lesser of (i) the market price on the date of the redemption notice, (ii) the market price on the redemption date, or (iii) the actual amount paid for the shares by the owner thereof, in each case less a discount in a percentage (up to 100%) to be determined by our board of directors in its sole and absolute discretion. See "Description of Capital Stock of GLPI Redemption of Securities Owned or Controlled by an Unsuitable Person or Affiliate."

Our Tax Status

We intend to elect and qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which we currently expect to occur commencing with our taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014. Our qualification as a REIT depends upon our ability to meet, on a continuing basis, through actual investment and operating results, various complex requirements under the Code, relating to, among other things, the sources of our gross income, the composition and value of our assets, our distribution levels and the diversity of ownership of our shares. We believe that, at the time of the Spin-Off, we will be organized in conformity with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code and that our intended manner of operation will enable us to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

Penn has received a private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"), subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, with respect to certain issues relevant to our qualification as a REIT. Although we may generally rely upon the ruling, subject to the completeness and accuracy

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of the representations made to the IRS, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge our qualification as a REIT on the basis of other issues or facts outside the scope of the ruling.

So long as we qualify to be taxed as a REIT, we generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on our net REIT taxable income that we distribute currently to our shareholders. If we fail to qualify to be taxed as a REIT in any taxable year and do not qualify for certain statutory relief provisions, we would be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates and would be precluded from re-electing to be taxed as a REIT for the subsequent four taxable years following the year during which we lost our REIT qualification. Even if we qualify to be taxed as a REIT, we may be subject to certain U.S. federal, state and local taxes on our income or property, and the income of our TRSs will be subject to taxation at regular corporate rates. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

JOBS Act

As a company with less than \$1.0 billion in revenue during our last fiscal year, we qualify as an "emerging growth company," as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the "JOBS Act"). Section 107 of the JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. Thus, an emerging growth company can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. However, we are choosing to "opt out" of such extended transition period, and, as a result, we will comply with new or revised accounting standards on the relevant dates on which adoption of such standards is required for non-emerging growth companies. Section 107 of the JOBS Act provides that our decision to opt out of the extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards is irrevocable.

An emerging growth company may also take advantage of reduced reporting requirements that are otherwise applicable to public companies. These provisions include, but are not limited to:

not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended ("Sarbanes-Oxley Act");

reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports, proxy statements and registration statements; and

exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

We may take advantage of these provisions until the last day of our fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the date of the first sale of our common equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, which such fifth anniversary is expected to occur in 2018. However, if certain events occur prior to the end of such five-year period, including if we become a "large accelerated filer," our annual gross revenues exceed \$1.0 billion or we issue more than \$1.0 billion of non-convertible debt in any three-year period, we will cease to be an emerging growth company prior to the end of such five-year period. As described under the caption "Financing," in connection with the Spin-Off (i) GLPI and GLP Capital, L.P. expect to enter into senior unsecured credit facilities, comprised of a \$850 million revolving credit facility (which is expected to be reduced to \$700 million at or about the time of the Spin-Off) and a \$300 million term loan facility, to be provided by a syndicate of banks and other financial institutions, and (ii) GLP Capital, L.P. expects to issue \$2.05 billion in senior unsecured notes, which senior notes will be guaranteed by GLPI, none of which debt is expected to be convertible. Accordingly, we expect that GLPI will no longer be an emerging growth company at the time of the Spin-Off.

We have elected not to take advantage of any of the reduced disclosure obligations afforded to emerging growth companies by the JOBS Act.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT GLPI AND THE SPIN-OFF

What are the reasons for the Spin-Off?

The operation of the gaming and property businesses within the current Penn structure presents significant obstacles to successfully achieving the desired level of growth for Penn's gaming business and property business. The Spin-Off is expected to significantly ameliorate these expansion challenges for both businesses.

Penn expects the Spin-Off to facilitate strategic expansion opportunities for the property business by providing GLPI the ability to:

- (i) pursue transactions with other gaming operators that would not pursue transactions with Penn as a current competitor;
- (ii) fund acquisitions with its equity on significantly more favorable terms than those that would be available to Penn;
- (iii) diversify into different businesses in which Penn, as a practical matter, could not diversify, such as hotels, entertainment facilities and office space; and
- (iv) pursue certain transactions that Penn otherwise would be disadvantaged by or precluded from pursuing due to regulatory constraints.

What is a REIT?

Following the Spin-Off, GLPI intends to qualify and elect to be taxed as a REIT under Sections 856 through 859 of the Code, which GLPI currently expects to occur commencing with its taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014. As a REIT, GLPI generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its REIT taxable income it distributes to its shareholders. A company's qualification as a REIT depends on its ability to meet, on a continuing basis, through actual investment and operating results, various complex requirements under the Code relating to, among other things, the sources of its gross income, the composition and values of its assets, its distribution levels and the diversity of ownership of its stock. GLPI believes that, immediately after the Spin-Off, it will be organized in conformity with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code, and that its manner of operation enables it to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. GLPI anticipates that distributions it makes to its shareholders generally will be taxable to its shareholders as ordinary income, although a portion of the distributions may

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be designated by GLPI as qualified dividend income or capital gain or may constitute a return of capital. For a more complete discussion of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of distributions to shareholders of GLPI, see "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of Shareholders Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders."

How will the Spin-Off occur?

Penn will effect the Spin-Off via a distribution to its shareholders of all of the outstanding shares of common stock of GLPI owned by Penn immediately prior to the Spin-Off. To complete the Separation, in addition to the Spin-Off, Penn will effect the Compliance Exchanges (pursuant to which Peter M. Carlino and a related trust will exchange shares of Penn common stock for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the Spin-Off and Mr. Carlino will also exchange options to acquire Penn common stock for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off). Together, the shares of common stock of GLPI distributed to shareholders in the Spin-Off and the shares of common stock of GLPI exchanged with Mr. Carlino and his related trust will be 100% of the common stock of GLPI outstanding immediately prior to the Separation.

How many shares of GLPI will I receive?

Unless otherwise determined by the Penn board of directors prior to the distribution date, for every share of Penn common stock and 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock held by you as of the record date, you will receive one share of common stock of GLPI. Peter M. Carlino and a related trust will exchange shares of Penn common stock for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the Spin-Off and Mr. Carlino will also exchange options to acquire Penn common stock for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off Peter M. Carlino."

What will I receive in connection with the Purging Distribution?

In connection with the Separation, Penn will allocate its accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) for periods prior to the consummation of the Separation between Penn and GLPI in a manner that, in its best judgment,

is in accordance with the provisions of the Code. In connection with its election to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI will make the Purging Distribution by declaring a dividend to its shareholders to distribute any accumulated earnings and profits relating to the real property assets and attributable to any pre-REIT years, including any earnings and profits allocated to GLPI in connection with the Separation, to comply with certain REIT qualification requirements. Penn estimates that the Purging Distribution will total

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	<p>approximately \$1.05 billion, or approximately \$11.81 per share of GLPI common stock outstanding immediately prior to the Purging Distribution. The Purging Distribution will be paid in a combination of cash and GLPI stock, which Penn anticipates will consist of approximately 26% cash and 74% GLPI stock. See "The Separation The Purging Distribution."</p>
<p><i>Can Penn decide not to complete the Spin-Off or to modify its terms?</i></p>	<p>Yes. The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. This means that Penn has the right not to complete the Spin-Off if, at any time, the Penn board of directors determines, in its sole discretion, that the Spin-Off is not in the best interests of Penn. In addition, the Spin-Off is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of a number of conditions. These conditions include the receipt of all gaming approvals required to be obtained prior to the Spin-Off. See "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off."</p>
<p><i>What is the record date for the Spin-Off?</i></p>	<p>The record date for determining shareholders entitled to receive the shares of GLPI in the Spin-Off is the close of business on October 16, 2013.</p>
<p><i>What is the distribution date for the Spin-Off?</i></p>	<p>The distribution date for distributing the shares of common stock of GLPI under the Spin-Off is expected to occur on November 1, 2013. However, the Penn board of directors may determine to delay or abandon the Spin-Off.</p>
<p><i>What are the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Spin-Off to Penn's shareholders?</i></p>	<p>Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS to the effect that the Spin-Off, together with the Carlino Stock Exchange and certain related transactions, will qualify as a reorganization for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code. Penn expects to receive certain opinions from its tax advisors with respect to certain requirements for tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Code on which the IRS will not rule, to the effect that such requirements will be satisfied. Based on the foregoing private letter ruling from the IRS, together with the tax opinions, for</p>

U.S. federal income tax purposes, you will not recognize any gain or loss, and no amount will be included in your income, upon your receipt of shares of GLPI common stock pursuant to the Spin-Off.

You should consult your own tax advisor as to the particular consequences of the Spin-Off to you, including the applicability and effect of any U.S. federal, state and local tax laws, as well as foreign tax laws, which may result in the Spin-Off being taxable to you. For more information regarding the private letter ruling, the tax opinions and certain U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Spin-Off, see the summary under "The Separation Material

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What are the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Purging Distribution to GLPI's shareholders?

U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Spin-Off," included elsewhere in this Prospectus.

Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS with respect to certain issues relevant to GLPI's payment of the Purging Distribution in a combination of cash and GLPI stock. Each GLPI shareholder will be permitted to elect to receive the shareholder's entire entitlement under the Purging Distribution in either cash or GLPI common stock, subject to a limitation on the amount of cash to be distributed in the aggregate to all GLPI shareholders (the "Cash Limitation"). The Cash Limitation will in no event be less than 20% of the Purging Distribution declaration (without regard to any cash that may be paid in lieu of fractional shares), although it is currently expected to comprise approximately 26% of the Purging Distribution. If GLPI shareholders elect to receive an amount of cash in excess of the Cash Limitation, each such electing shareholder will receive a pro rata amount of cash corresponding to the shareholder's respective entitlement under the Purging Distribution declaration. In general, the ruling provides, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, that (1) the Purging Distribution will be treated as a dividend that will first reduce GLPI's accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) attributable to pre-REIT years in satisfaction of the REIT annual distribution requirement and (2) the amount of any GLPI stock received by any GLPI shareholder as part of the Purging Distribution will be considered to equal the amount of cash that could have been received instead. In the Purging Distribution, a

shareholder of GLPI common stock will be required to report dividend income as a result of the Purging Distribution even if GLPI distributes no cash or only nominal amounts of cash to such shareholder.

You should consult your own tax advisor as to the particular consequences of the Purging Distribution to you, including the applicability and effect of any U.S. federal, state and local tax laws, as well as foreign tax laws. For more information regarding the Purging Distribution, see "The Separation The Purging Distribution."

Will I receive physical certificates representing shares of common stock of GLPI following the Separation?

No. Following the Separation, neither Penn nor GLPI will be issuing physical certificates representing shares of the common stock of GLPI. Instead, Penn, with the assistance of Continental Stock Transfer & Trust, the distribution agent, will electronically issue shares of GLPI common stock to you or to your bank or brokerage firm on your behalf by way of direct registration in book-entry form. Continental Stock Transfer & Trust will mail you a book-entry account statement that reflects your shares of GLPI common stock,

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What if I want to sell my Penn stock or my common stock in GLPI?

or your bank or brokerage firm will credit your account for the shares. You should consult with your financial advisors, such as your stockbroker or bank. Neither Penn nor GLPI makes any recommendations on the purchase, retention or sale of shares of Penn common stock or Penn Series C preferred stock, or the GLPI common stock to be distributed in the Spin-Off. If you decide to sell any shares before the Spin-Off, you should make sure your stockbroker, bank or other nominee understands whether you want to sell your Penn shares, the GLPI shares you will receive in the Spin-Off or both.

Where will I be able to trade shares of the common stock of GLPI?

There is not currently a public market for the common stock of GLPI. We intend to list our common stock on the NASDAQ Stock Market, or "NASDAQ," under the symbol "GLPI." We anticipate that trading in shares of our common stock will begin on a "when-issued" basis prior to the distribution date and will continue up to and including the distribution date and that "regular-way" trading in shares of our common stock will begin on the first trading day following the distribution date. If trading begins on a "when-issued" basis, you may purchase or sell shares of GLPI common stock up to and including the distribution date, but any such transaction will not settle until after the distribution date. You will not be required to make any payment, surrender or exchange your shares of Penn common stock or Penn Series C preferred stock or take any other action to receive your shares of GLPI common stock.

Will the number of Penn shares I own change as a result of the Separation?

The number of shares of Penn common or preferred stock you own will not change as a result of the Separation, unless you are Fortress, Centerbridge or Peter M. Carlino. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off."

What will be the business of Penn following the Spin-Off?

Penn will operate and manage gaming facilities, including most of the gaming facilities owned directly or indirectly by GLPI pursuant to the Master Lease. Penn will also hold the gaming licenses associated with these leased properties and own and operate other assets, including the Casino Rama casino management contract, the Jamul Indian

Village management and development agreements, a 50% interest in three joint ventures including the Hollywood Casino at Kansas Speedway and four wholly owned non-casino racetracks, and gaming equipment.

What will happen to the listing of Penn common stock?

Nothing. Penn common stock will continue to be traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "PENN."

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Will the Spin-Off affect the trading price of my Penn common stock?

The trading price of Penn common stock immediately following the Spin-Off is expected to be lower than immediately prior to the Spin-Off because the trading price will no longer reflect the value of the GLPI common stock that is being distributed in the Spin-Off. Furthermore, until the market has fully analyzed the value of Penn without GLPI, the price of Penn common stock may fluctuate significantly.

What are the risks to owning GLPI common stock?

Our business is subject to both general and specific risks relating to our business, our status as a REIT, our relationship with Penn and being a separate publicly traded company. Our business is also subject to risks relating to the separation. These risks are described in the "Risk Factors" section of this Prospectus beginning on page 13. You are encouraged to read that section carefully.

Do I have appraisal rights?

No. Holders of Penn common stock and Penn Series C preferred stock are not entitled to appraisal rights in connection with the Spin-Off.

What will holders of Penn Series B preferred stock receive in the Spin-Off?

Penn has entered into agreements with the holders of its outstanding shares of Penn Series B preferred stock to redeem for cash, or exchange for shares of Penn Series C preferred stock, all of the outstanding shares of Penn Series B preferred stock prior to the record date of the Spin-Off. Additionally, prior to the record date for the Spin-Off, Penn will have the right to purchase from Fortress the number of shares of Penn Series C preferred stock required to ensure that, immediately following the consummation of the Spin-Off, Fortress will own not more than 9.9% of GLPI's common stock, so that GLPI can qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Prior to the Spin-Off, GLPI and Fortress will enter into an investor rights agreement that

grants Fortress certain registration rights and information rights and prohibits GLPI from taking actions to increase Fortress's beneficial ownership of the outstanding shares of GLPI common stock above 9.9%.

Where can Penn shareholders get more information about the Spin-Off?

Before the Spin-Off, if you have any questions relating to the Spin-Off you should contact:

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RISK FACTORS

Risk Factors Relating to Our Spin-Off from Penn

We may be unable to achieve some or all the benefits that we expect to achieve from the Spin-Off.

We believe that, as a publicly traded company independent from Penn, GLPI will have the ability to pursue transactions with other gaming operators that would not pursue transactions with Penn as a current competitor, to fund acquisitions with its equity on significantly more favorable terms than those that would be available to Penn, to diversify into different businesses in which Penn, as a practical matter, could not diversify, such as hotels, entertainment facilities and office space, and to pursue certain transactions that Penn otherwise would be disadvantaged by or precluded from pursuing due to regulatory constraints. However, we may not be able to achieve some or all of the benefits that we expect to achieve as a company independent from Penn in the time we expect, if at all.

After the Spin-Off, we may be unable to make, on a timely or cost-effective basis, the changes necessary to operate as a separate publicly traded company primarily focused on owning a portfolio of gaming properties.

GLPI has no significant historical operations as an independent company and may not, at the time of the Spin-Off, have the infrastructure and personnel necessary to operate as a separate publicly traded company without relying on Penn to provide certain services on a transitional basis. Upon the completion of the Spin-Off, Penn will be obligated to provide such transition services pursuant to the terms of the Transition Services Agreement that GLPI will enter into with Penn, to allow GLPI time, if necessary, to build the infrastructure and retain the personnel necessary to operate as a separate publicly traded company without relying on such services. Following the expiration of the Transition Services Agreement, Penn will be under no obligation to provide further assistance to GLPI. As a separate public entity, we will be subject to, and responsible for, regulatory compliance, including periodic public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and compliance with NASDAQ's continued listing requirements and with applicable state gaming rules and regulations, as well as compliance with generally applicable tax and accounting rules. Because GLPI's business has not been operated as a separate publicly traded company, GLPI cannot assure you that it will be able to successfully implement the infrastructure or retain the personnel necessary to operate as a separate publicly traded company or that GLPI will not incur costs in excess of anticipated costs to establish such infrastructure and retain such personnel.

If the Spin-Off, together with certain related transactions, does not qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes, Penn, GLPI and Penn shareholders could be subject to significant tax liabilities and, in certain circumstances, GLPI could be required to indemnify Penn for material taxes pursuant to indemnification obligations under the Tax Matters Agreement.

Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS substantially to the effect that, among other things, the Spin-Off, together with the Compliance Exchanges and certain related transactions, will qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and/or 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code (the "IRS Ruling"). The IRS Ruling does not address certain requirements for tax-free treatment of the Spin-Off under Section 355, and Penn expects to receive from its tax advisors a tax opinion substantially to the effect that, with respect to such requirements on which the IRS will not rule, such requirements will be satisfied. The IRS Ruling, and the tax opinions that Penn expects to receive from its tax advisors, relied on and will rely on, among other things, certain representations, assumptions and undertakings, including those relating to the past and future conduct of GLPI's business, and the IRS Ruling and the opinions would not be valid if such representations, assumptions and undertakings were incorrect in any material respect.

Notwithstanding the IRS Ruling and the tax opinions, the IRS could determine the Spin-Off should be treated as a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes if it determines any of the representations, assumptions or undertakings that were included in the request for the IRS Ruling

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are false or have been violated or if it disagrees with the conclusions in the opinions that are not covered by the IRS Ruling. For more information regarding the IRS Ruling and the opinions, see "The Separation Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Spin-Off."

If the Spin-Off fails to qualify for tax-free treatment, in general, Penn would be subject to tax as if it had sold the GLPI common stock in a taxable sale for its fair market value, and Penn shareholders who receive shares of GLPI common stock in the Spin-Off would be subject to tax as if they had received a taxable distribution equal to the fair market value of such shares.

Under the Tax Matters Agreement that GLPI will enter into with Penn, GLPI generally will be required to indemnify Penn against any tax resulting from the Spin-Off to the extent that such tax resulted from (i) an acquisition of all or a portion of the equity securities or assets of GLPI, whether by merger or otherwise, (ii) other actions or failures to act by GLPI, or (iii) any of GLPI's representations or undertakings being incorrect or violated. For a more detailed discussion, see "Relationship between GLPI and Penn after the Spin-Off The Tax Matters Agreement." GLPI's indemnification obligations to Penn and its subsidiaries, officers and directors will not be limited by any maximum amount. If GLPI is required to indemnify Penn or such other persons under the circumstance set forth in the Tax Matters Agreement, GLPI may be subject to substantial liabilities.

GLPI may not be able to engage in desirable strategic or capital-raising transactions following the Spin-Off. In addition, GLPI could be liable for adverse tax consequences resulting from engaging in significant strategic or capital-raising transactions.

To preserve the tax-free treatment to Penn of the Spin-Off, for the two-year period following the Spin-Off, GLPI may be prohibited, except in specific circumstances, from: (1) entering into any transaction pursuant to which all or a portion of GLPI's stock would be acquired, whether by merger or otherwise, (2) issuing equity securities beyond certain thresholds, (3) repurchasing GLPI common stock, (4) ceasing to actively conduct the business of operating the Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge or Hollywood Casino Perryville, or (5) taking or failing to take any other action that prevents the Spin-Off and related transactions from being tax-free.

These restrictions may limit GLPI's ability to pursue strategic transactions or engage in new business or other transactions that may maximize the value of GLPI's business. For more information, see "The Separation Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Spin-Off" and "Relationship between GLPI and Penn after the Spin-Off The Tax Matters Agreement."

The market price and trading volume of GLPI securities may be volatile and may face negative pressure.

There is currently no trading market for any GLPI securities. Investors may decide to dispose of some or all of the GLPI securities that they receive in the Spin-Off. GLPI securities issued in the Spin-Off will be trading publicly for the first time. Until, and possibly even after, orderly trading markets develop for these securities, there may be significant fluctuations in price. It is not possible to accurately predict how investors in GLPI's securities will behave after the Spin-Off. For many reasons, including the risks identified in this Prospectus, the market price of GLPI's securities following the Spin-Off may be more volatile than the market price of Penn's securities before the Spin-Off. These factors may result in short- or long-term negative pressure on the value of the GLPI securities.

In addition, some of the holders of Penn securities are index funds tied to stock or investment indices, or are institutional investors bound by various investment guidelines. Companies are generally selected for investment indices, and in some cases selected by institutional investors, based on factors such as market capitalization, industry, trading liquidity and financial condition. As an independent company, we expect to initially have a lower market capitalization than Penn has today, and our business will differ from the business of Penn prior to the Spin-Off. As a result, our securities may not qualify for those investment indices. In addition, the securities that are received in the Spin-Off may not meet the investment guidelines of some institutional investors. Consequently, these index funds and

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institutional investors may have to sell some or all of the securities they receive in the Spin-Off, and the price of our securities may fall as a result. Any such decline could impair our ability to raise capital through future sales of securities. Further, GLPI securities may not qualify for other investment indices, including indices specific to REITs, and any such failure may discourage new investors from investing in our securities.

The Spin-Off agreements will not be the result of negotiations between unrelated third parties.

The agreements that we will enter into with Penn in connection with the Spin-Off, including the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Master Lease, Tax Matters Agreement, Employee Matters Agreement and Transition Services Agreement, have been negotiated in the context of the Separation while we are still a wholly owned subsidiary of Penn. Accordingly, during the period in which the terms of those agreements were negotiated, we did not have an independent board of directors or a management team independent of Penn. As a result, although those agreements are generally intended to reflect arm's-length terms, the terms of those agreements may not reflect terms that would have resulted from arm's-length negotiations between unaffiliated third parties. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the terms of these agreements will be as favorable for GLPI as would have resulted from negotiations with one or more unrelated third parties.

The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and the related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. In addition, the Spin-Off and related transactions are subject to the satisfaction or waiver (by Penn's board of directors in its sole discretion) of a number of conditions. GLPI and Penn cannot assure that any or all of these conditions will be met.

The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and the related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. This means Penn may cancel or delay the planned distribution of common stock of GLPI if at any time the board of directors of Penn determines that the distribution of such common stock is not in the best interests of Penn. If Penn's board of directors determines to cancel the Spin-Off, shareholders of Penn will not receive any distribution of GLPI common stock and Penn will be under no obligation whatsoever to its shareholders to distribute such shares. In addition, the Spin-Off and related transactions are subject to the satisfaction or waiver (by Penn's board of directors in its sole discretion) of a number of conditions. See "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off." GLPI and Penn cannot assure that any or all of these conditions will be met. The fulfillment of the conditions to the Spin-Off will not create any obligation on Penn's part to effect the Internal Reorganization (as defined in section "The Separation General"), the Spin-Off and the REIT Conversion.

The historical and pro forma financial information included in this Prospectus may not be a reliable indicator of future results.

The historical financial statements included herein are (1) combined historical financial data of Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. and Penn Cecil Maryland, Inc., which will be acquired by a subsidiary of GLPI that we anticipate will be called GLP Holdings, Inc., and which will operate the TRS Properties after the Spin-Off, which combined financial statements only reflect the historical operation of these two facilities, (2) a schedule of real estate assets to be acquired by GLPI prior to the Spin-Off and (3) consolidated balance sheets of GLPI. In addition, this Prospectus includes pro forma financial information regarding GLPI.

The historical financial statements and the pro forma financial information included herein may not reflect what the business, financial position or results of operations of GLPI will be in the future when it is a separate, publicly traded company. Prior to the Spin-Off, the business of GLPI will have been operated by Penn as part of one corporate organization and not operated as a stand-alone company. Because GLPI has no significant historical operations and will not acquire the real estate

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ownership and development business of Penn until immediately prior to the Spin-Off, there are no historical financial statements for GLPI as it will exist following the Spin-Off. Significant changes will occur in the cost structure, financing and business operations of GLPI as a result of its operation as a stand-alone company and the entry into transactions with Penn (and its subsidiaries) that have not existed historically, including the Master Lease. The pro forma financial information included in this Prospectus was prepared on the basis of assumptions derived from available information that we believed to be reasonable. However, these assumptions may change or may be incorrect, and actual results may differ, perhaps significantly. For additional information about the basis of presentation of the financial information included in this Prospectus, see "Financing," "Capitalization," "Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data," "GLPI Unaudited Pro Forma and Forecasted Consolidated Financial Statements" and the financial statements.

The ownership by our executive officers and directors of common shares, options or other equity awards of Penn may create, or may create the appearance of, conflicts of interest.

Because of their current or former positions with Penn, substantially all of our executive officers, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, and certain director nominees own common shares of Penn, options to purchase common shares of Penn or other Penn equity awards. Following the distribution of GLPI common shares to its shareholders, these officers and directors will own common shares, options to purchase common shares and/or other equity awards in both Penn and GLPI. The individual holdings of common shares, options to purchase common shares or other equity awards of Penn and GLPI may be significant for some of these persons compared to their total assets. These equity interests may create, or appear to create, conflicts of interest when these directors and officers are faced with decisions that could benefit or affect the equity holders of Penn in ways that do not benefit or affect us in the same manner.

After the Spin-Off, Peter M. Carlino, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and David A. Handler, one of our directors, may have actual or potential conflicts of interest because of their position at Penn.

After the Spin-Off, Peter M. Carlino will serve as Chairman of Penn and the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of GLPI. In addition, David A. Handler, one of our director nominees, will continue to serve as a director at Penn. These overlapping positions could create, or appear to create, potential conflicts of interest when our or Penn's management and directors pursue the same corporate opportunities, such as greenfield development opportunities, or face decisions that could have different implications for us and Penn. For example, potential conflicts of interest could arise in connection with the negotiation or the resolution of any dispute between us and Penn (or its subsidiaries) regarding the terms of the agreements governing the separation and the relationship (e.g. Master Lease) thereafter between us and Penn. Potential conflicts of interest could also arise if we and Penn enter into any commercial arrangements with each other in the future.

Penn's inability to obtain all material authorizations, consents, approvals and clearances of third parties including U.S. federal, state and local governmental agencies ("Third-Party Approvals") in connection with the Spin-Off may have a material adverse effect on Penn's ability to consummate the Spin-Off.

There are numerous Third-Party Approvals that Penn must obtain to consummate the Spin-Off and the restructuring of Penn's business in connection therewith, including approvals by gaming and racing authorities in various jurisdictions. In some cases, these approvals must be obtained before the Spin-Off can be completed. Although Penn has commenced the process of seeking the necessary Third-Party Approvals required in connection with the Spin-Off, it currently does not have all the necessary Third-Party Approvals. There is no assurance that Penn will be able to obtain these Third-Party Approvals. Penn does not intend to consummate the Spin-Off if it does not receive all required Third-Party Approvals, unless it believes that the inability to obtain one or more Third-Party Approvals would

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not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Penn or GLPI. However, there can be no assurance that such a material adverse effect will not occur.

The Spin-Off could give rise to disputes or other unfavorable effects, which could have a material adverse effect on the business, financial position or results of operations of GLPI.

Disputes with third parties could arise out of the Spin-Off, and GLPI could experience unfavorable reactions to the Spin-Off from employees, ratings agencies, regulators or other interested parties. These disputes and reactions of third parties could have a material adverse effect on the business, financial position or results of operations of GLPI. In addition, following the Spin-Off, disputes between Penn and GLPI (and their subsidiaries) could arise in connection with any of the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Master Lease, the Tax Matters Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement or other agreements.

Potential indemnification liabilities of GLPI pursuant to the Separation and Distribution Agreement could materially adversely affect GLPI.

The Separation and Distribution Agreement between GLPI and Penn will provide for, among other things, the principal corporate transactions required to effect the separation, certain conditions to the separation and provisions governing the relationship between GLPI and Penn with respect to and resulting from the separation. For a description of the Separation and Distribution Agreement, see "Relationship between GLPI and Penn after the Spin-Off The Separation and Distribution Agreement."

Among other things, the Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide for indemnification obligations designed to make GLPI financially responsible for substantially all liabilities that may exist relating to or arising out of its business. If GLPI is required to indemnify Penn under the circumstances set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement, GLPI may be subject to substantial liabilities.

In connection with our separation from Penn, Penn will indemnify us for certain liabilities. However, there can be no assurance that these indemnities will be sufficient to insure us against the full amount of such liabilities, or that Penn's ability to satisfy its indemnification obligation will not be impaired in the future.

Pursuant to the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Penn will agree to indemnify us for certain liabilities. However, third parties could seek to hold us responsible for any of the liabilities that Penn will agree to retain, and there can be no assurance that Penn will be able to fully satisfy its indemnification obligations. Moreover, even if we ultimately succeed in recovering from Penn any amounts for which we are held liable, we may be temporarily required to bear these losses while seeking recovery from Penn.

A court could deem the distribution to be a fraudulent conveyance and void the transaction or impose substantial liabilities upon us.

A court could deem the distribution of GLPI common shares or certain internal restructuring transactions undertaken by Penn in connection with the Spin-Off, or the Purging Distribution by GLPI, to be a fraudulent conveyance or transfer. Fraudulent conveyances or transfers are defined to include transfers made or obligations incurred with the actual intent to hinder, delay or defraud current or future creditors or transfers made or obligations incurred for less than reasonably equivalent value when the debtor was insolvent, or that rendered the debtor insolvent, inadequately capitalized or unable to pay its debts as they become due. In such circumstances, a court could void the transactions or impose substantial liabilities upon us, which could adversely affect our financial condition and our results of operations. Among other things, the court could require our shareholders to return to Penn some or all of the shares of our common stock issued in the distribution, to return some of the Purging Distribution to GLPI, or require us to fund liabilities of other companies involved in the restructuring

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transactions for the benefit of creditors. Whether a transaction is a fraudulent conveyance or transfer will vary depending upon the jurisdiction whose law is being applied.

Risk Factors Relating to the Status of GLPI as a REIT

If GLPI does not qualify to be taxed as a REIT, or fails to remain qualified as a REIT, GLPI will be subject to U.S. federal income tax as a regular corporation and could face a substantial tax liability, which would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to shareholders of GLPI.

GLPI intends to operate in a manner that will allow GLPI to qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which GLPI currently expects to occur commencing with its taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014. References throughout this document to the "first taxable year" for which GLPI has elected to be taxed as a REIT refer to the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014. GLPI expects to receive opinions of its special REIT tax advisors, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz and KPMG LLP ("Special Tax Advisors"), with respect to its qualification as a REIT in connection with this transaction. Investors should be aware, however, that opinions of advisors are not binding on the IRS or any court. The opinions of Special Tax Advisors represent only the view of Special Tax Advisors based on their review and analysis of existing law and on certain representations as to factual matters and covenants made by GLPI, including representations relating to the values of GLPI's assets and the sources of GLPI's income. The opinions are expressed as of the date issued. Special Tax Advisors will have no obligation to advise GLPI or the holders of GLPI common stock of any subsequent change in the matters stated, represented or assumed or of any subsequent change in applicable law. Furthermore, both the validity of the opinions of Special Tax Advisors and GLPI's qualification as a REIT will depend on GLPI's satisfaction of certain asset, income, organizational, distribution, shareholder ownership and other requirements on a continuing basis, the results of which will not be monitored by Special Tax Advisors. GLPI's ability to satisfy the asset tests depends upon GLPI's analysis of the characterization and fair market values of its assets, some of which are not susceptible to a precise determination, and for which GLPI will not obtain independent appraisals.

Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS with respect to certain issues relevant to GLPI's qualification as a REIT. In general, the ruling provides, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, that (1) certain of the assets to be held by GLPI after the Spin-Off and (2) the methodology for calculating a certain portion of rent received by GLPI pursuant to the Master Lease will not adversely affect GLPI's qualification as a REIT. Although GLPI may generally rely upon the ruling, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge GLPI's qualification as a REIT on the basis of other issues or facts outside the scope of the ruling.

If GLPI were to fail to qualify to be taxed as a REIT in any taxable year, it would be subject to U.S. federal income tax, including any applicable alternative minimum tax, on its taxable income at regular corporate rates, and dividends paid to GLPI shareholders would not be deductible by GLPI in computing its taxable income. Any resulting corporate liability could be substantial and would reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to its shareholders, which in turn could have an adverse impact on the value of GLPI common stock. Unless GLPI were entitled to relief under certain Code provisions, GLPI also would be disqualified from re-electing to be taxed as a REIT for the four taxable years following the year in which GLPI failed to qualify to be taxed as a REIT.

Qualifying as a REIT involves highly technical and complex provisions of the Code.

Qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex Code provisions for which only limited judicial and administrative authorities exist. Even a technical or inadvertent violation could jeopardize GLPI's REIT qualification. GLPI's qualification as a REIT will depend on its satisfaction of certain asset, income, organizational, distribution, shareholder ownership and other requirements on a continuing basis. In addition, GLPI's ability to satisfy the requirements to qualify to be taxed as a REIT may depend in part on the actions of third parties over which it has no control or only limited influence.

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Legislative or other actions affecting REITs could have a negative effect on GLPI.

The rules dealing with U.S. federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (the "Treasury"). In particular, in June 2013 several companies pursuing REIT conversions disclosed that they have been informed by the IRS that it has formed a new internal working group to study the current legal standards the IRS uses to define "real estate" for purposes of the REIT provisions of the Code. While GLPI has no reason to believe that its private letter ruling will be adversely affected by the IRS internal working group, changes to the tax laws or interpretations thereof by the IRS and the Treasury, with or without retroactive application, could materially and adversely affect GLPI investors or GLPI. GLPI cannot predict how changes in the tax laws might affect its investors or GLPI. New legislation, Treasury regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions could significantly and negatively affect GLPI's ability to qualify to be taxed as a REIT or the U.S. federal income tax consequences to GLPI investors and GLPI of such qualification.

GLPI could fail to qualify to be taxed as a REIT if income it receives from Penn or its subsidiaries is not treated as qualifying income.

Under applicable provisions of the Code, GLPI will not be treated as a REIT unless it satisfies various requirements, including requirements relating to the sources of its gross income. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations." Rents received or accrued by GLPI from Penn or its subsidiaries will not be treated as qualifying rent for purposes of these requirements if the Master Lease is not respected as a true lease for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is instead treated as a service contract, joint venture or some other type of arrangement. If the Master Lease is not respected as a true lease for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI may fail to qualify to be taxed as a REIT. Furthermore, GLPI's qualification as a REIT will depend on GLPI's satisfaction of certain asset, income, organizational, distribution, shareholder ownership and other requirements on a continuing basis. GLPI's ability to satisfy the asset tests depends upon GLPI's analysis of the characterization and fair market values of its assets, some of which are not susceptible to a precise determination, and for which GLPI will not obtain independent appraisals.

In addition, subject to certain exceptions, rents received or accrued by GLPI from Penn or its subsidiaries will not be treated as qualifying rent for purposes of these requirements if GLPI or an actual or constructive owner of 10% or more of GLPI stock actually or constructively owns 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of Penn stock entitled to vote or 10% or more of the total value of all classes of Penn stock. GLPI's charter will provide for restrictions on ownership and transfer of its shares of stock, including restrictions on such ownership or transfer that would cause the rents received or accrued by GLPI from Penn or its subsidiaries to be treated as non-qualifying rent for purposes of the REIT gross income requirements. The provisions of GLPI's charter that will restrict the ownership and transfer of its stock are described in "Description of Capital Stock of GLPI Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer." Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that such restrictions will be effective in ensuring that rents received or accrued by GLPI from Penn or its subsidiaries will not be treated as qualifying rent for purposes of REIT qualification requirements.

Dividends payable by REITs do not qualify for the reduced tax rates available for some dividends.

The maximum U.S. federal income tax rate applicable to income from "qualified dividends" payable by U.S. corporations to U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts and estates is currently 20%. Dividends payable by REITs, however, generally are not eligible for the reduced rates. Although these rules do not adversely affect the taxation of REITs, the more favorable rates applicable to regular corporate qualified dividends could cause investors who are individuals, trusts and estates to perceive investments in REITs to be relatively less attractive than investments in the stocks of non-REIT corporations that pay dividends, which could adversely affect the value of the stock of REITs, including GLPI's stock.

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REIT distribution requirements could adversely affect GLPI's ability to execute its business plan.

GLPI generally must distribute annually at least 90% of its REIT taxable income, determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding any net capital gains, in order for GLPI to qualify to be taxed as a REIT (assuming that certain other requirements are also satisfied) so that U.S. federal corporate income tax does not apply to earnings that GLPI distributes. To the extent that GLPI satisfies this distribution requirement and qualifies for taxation as a REIT but distributes less than 100% of its REIT taxable income, determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and including any net capital gains, GLPI will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax on its undistributed net taxable income. In addition, GLPI will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax if the actual amount that GLPI distributes to its shareholders in a calendar year is less than a minimum amount specified under U.S. federal income tax laws. GLPI intends to make distributions to its shareholders to comply with the REIT requirements of the Code.

From time to time, GLPI may generate taxable income greater than its cash flow as a result of differences in timing between the recognition of taxable income and the actual receipt of cash or the effect of nondeductible capital expenditures, the creation of reserves or required debt or amortization payments. If GLPI does not have other funds available in these situations, GLPI could be required to borrow funds on unfavorable terms, sell assets at disadvantageous prices or distribute amounts that would otherwise be invested in future acquisitions to make distributions sufficient to enable GLPI to pay out enough of its taxable income to satisfy the REIT distribution requirement and to avoid corporate income tax and the 4% excise tax in a particular year. These alternatives could increase GLPI's costs or reduce its equity. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may hinder GLPI's ability to grow, which could adversely affect the value of GLPI stock. Restrictions in GLPI's indebtedness following the Spin-Off, including restrictions on GLPI's ability to incur additional indebtedness or make certain distributions, could preclude it from meeting the 90% distribution requirement. Decreases in funds from operations due to unfinanced expenditures for acquisitions of properties or increases in the number of shares of GLPI common stock outstanding without commensurate increases in funds from operations each would adversely affect the ability of GLPI to maintain distributions to its shareholders. Moreover, the failure of Penn to make rental payments under the Master Lease would materially impair the ability of GLPI to make distributions. Consequently, there can be no assurance that GLPI will be able to make distributions at the anticipated distribution rate or any other rate. See "Dividend Policy."

Even if GLPI remains qualified as a REIT, GLPI may face other tax liabilities that reduce its cash flow.

Even if GLPI remains qualified for taxation as a REIT, GLPI may be subject to certain U.S. federal, state, and local taxes on its income and assets, including taxes on any undistributed income and state or local income, property and transfer taxes. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of GLPI." For example, GLPI will hold some of its assets or conduct certain of its activities through one or more TRS or other subsidiary corporations that will be subject to federal, state, and local corporate-level income taxes as regular C corporations as well as state and local gaming taxes. In addition, GLPI may incur a 100% excise tax on transactions with a TRS if they are not conducted on an arm's-length basis. Any of these taxes would decrease cash available for distribution to GLPI shareholders.

Complying with REIT requirements may cause GLPI to forego otherwise attractive acquisition opportunities or liquidate otherwise attractive investments.

To qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI must ensure that, at the end of each calendar quarter, at least 75% of the value of its assets consists of cash, cash items, government securities and "real estate assets" (as defined in the Code), including certain mortgage loans and securities. The remainder of GLPI's investments (other than government securities, qualified

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real estate assets and securities issued by a TRS) generally cannot include more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of any one issuer or more than 10% of the total value of the outstanding securities of any one issuer. In addition, in general, no more than 5% of the value of GLPI's total assets (other than government securities, qualified real estate assets and securities issued by a TRS) can consist of the securities of any one issuer, and no more than 25% of the value of GLPI's total assets can be represented by securities of one or more TRSs. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of GLPI." If GLPI fails to comply with these requirements at the end of any calendar quarter, it must correct the failure within 30 days after the end of the calendar quarter or qualify for certain statutory relief provisions to avoid losing its REIT qualification and suffering adverse tax consequences. As a result, GLPI may be required to liquidate or forego otherwise attractive investments. These actions could have the effect of reducing GLPI's income and amounts available for distribution to GLPI shareholders.

In addition to the asset tests set forth above, to qualify to be taxed as a REIT GLPI must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the sources of its income, the amounts it distributes to GLPI shareholders and the ownership of GLPI stock. GLPI may be unable to pursue investments that would be otherwise advantageous to GLPI in order to satisfy the source-of-income or asset-diversification requirements for qualifying as a REIT. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may hinder GLPI's ability to make certain attractive investments.

Complying with REIT requirements may limit GLPI's ability to hedge effectively and may cause GLPI to incur tax liabilities.

The REIT provisions of the Code substantially limit GLPI's ability to hedge its assets and liabilities. Income from certain hedging transactions that GLPI may enter into to manage risk of interest rate changes with respect to borrowings made or to be made to acquire or carry real estate assets or from transactions to manage risk of currency fluctuations with respect to any item of income or gain that satisfy the REIT gross income tests (including gain from the termination of such a transaction) does not constitute "gross income" for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests that apply to REITs, provided that certain identification requirements are met. To the extent that GLPI enters into other types of hedging transactions or fails to properly identify such transaction as a hedge, the income is likely to be treated as non-qualifying income for purposes of both of the gross income tests. See "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations Taxation of GLPI." As a result of these rules, GLPI may be required to limit its use of advantageous hedging techniques or implement those hedges through a TRS. This could increase the cost of GLPI's hedging activities because the TRS may be subject to tax on gains or expose GLPI to greater risks associated with changes in interest rates that GLPI would otherwise want to bear. In addition, losses in the TRS will generally not provide any tax benefit, except that such losses could theoretically be carried back or forward against past or future taxable income in the TRS.

GLPI will pay the Purging Distribution in common stock and cash and may pay taxable dividends on GLPI common stock in common stock and cash. GLPI's shareholders may sell shares of GLPI common stock to pay tax on such dividends, placing downward pressure on the market price of GLPI common stock.

GLPI will pay the Purging Distribution in a combination of cash and GLPI stock, which Penn expects will consist of approximately 26% cash and 74% GLPI stock. Each GLPI shareholder will be permitted to elect to receive the shareholder's entire entitlement under the Purging Distribution in either cash or GLPI common stock, subject to the Cash Limitation. The Cash Limitation will in no event be less than 20% of the Purging Distribution declaration (without regard to any cash that may be paid in lieu of fractional shares), although it is currently expected to comprise approximately 26% of the Purging Distribution. If GLPI shareholders elect to receive an amount of cash in excess of the Cash Limitation, each such electing shareholder will receive a pro rata amount of cash corresponding to the

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shareholder's respective entitlement under the Purging Distribution declaration. Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS with respect to certain issues relevant to GLPI's payment of the Purging Distribution in a combination of cash and GLPI stock. In general, the ruling provides, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, that (1) the Purging Distribution will be treated as a dividend that will first reduce GLPI's accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) attributable to pre-REIT years in satisfaction of the REIT annual distribution requirement and (2) the amount of any GLPI stock received by any GLPI shareholder as part of the Purging Distribution will be considered to equal the amount of cash that could have been received instead. In the Purging Distribution, a shareholder of GLPI common stock will be required to report dividend income as a result of the Purging Distribution even though GLPI distributed no cash or only nominal amounts of cash to such shareholder.

GLPI currently intends to pay dividends (other than the Purging Distribution) in cash only, and not in-kind. However, if for any taxable year, GLPI has significant amounts of taxable income in excess of available cash flow, GLPI may declare dividends in-kind in order to satisfy the REIT annual distribution requirements. GLPI may distribute a portion of its dividends in the form of its stock or its debt instruments. In either event, a shareholder of GLPI common stock will be required to report dividend income as a result of such distributions even though GLPI distributed no cash or only nominal amounts of cash to such shareholder.

The IRS has issued private letter rulings to other REITs (and, with respect to the Purging Distribution and as described above, to Penn) treating certain distributions that are paid partly in cash and partly in stock as taxable dividends that would satisfy the REIT annual distribution requirement and qualify for the dividends paid deduction for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Those rulings may be relied upon only by taxpayers to whom they were issued, but GLPI could request a similar ruling from the IRS. GLPI cannot rely on the private letter ruling Penn received from the IRS, as described above, with respect to the payment of dividends other than the Purging Distribution. In addition, the IRS previously issued a revenue procedure authorizing publicly traded REITs to make elective cash/stock dividends, but that revenue procedure does not apply to GLPI's taxable year beginning on January 1, 2014 and future taxable years. Accordingly, it is unclear whether and to what extent GLPI will be able to make taxable dividends (other than the Purging Distribution) payable in-kind.

If GLPI made any taxable dividend payable in cash and common stock, taxable shareholders receiving such dividends will be required to include the full amount of the dividend as ordinary income to the extent of GLPI's current and accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, shareholders may be required to pay income tax with respect to such dividends in excess of the cash dividends received. If a U.S. shareholder sells the GLPI stock that it receives as a dividend in order to pay this tax, the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of the stock at the time of the sale. Furthermore, with respect to certain non-U.S. shareholders, GLPI may be required to withhold federal income tax with respect to such dividends, including in respect of all or a portion of such dividend that is payable in GLPI stock. If, in any taxable dividend payable in cash and GLPI stock, a significant number of GLPI shareholders determine to sell shares of GLPI stock in order to pay taxes owed on dividends, it may be viewed as economically equivalent to a dividend reduction and put downward pressure on the market price of GLPI stock.

If the total cash payable to shareholders in the Purging Distribution is limited, the amount of cash received by each shareholder is dependent on the election of other shareholders.

GLPI expects to limit the total amount of cash payable in the Purging Distribution to a maximum of 26% of the total value of the Purging Distribution. The balance of the Purging Distribution will be in the form of shares of GLPI common stock. Each GLPI shareholder will be permitted to elect to receive the shareholder's entire entitlement under the Purging Distribution in either cash or GLPI

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common stock, subject to the Cash Limitation. The Cash Limitation will in no event be less than 20% of the Purging Distribution declaration (without regard to any cash that may be paid in lieu of fractional shares), although it is currently expected to comprise approximately 26% of the Purging Distribution. If GLPI shareholders elect to receive an amount of cash in excess of the Cash Limitation, each such electing shareholder will receive a pro rata amount of cash corresponding to the shareholder's respective entitlement under the Purging Distribution declaration. Therefore, shareholders may not receive exactly the dividend that they elect and may receive a pro rata amount of the Cash Limitation and shares of GLPI common stock.

Even if GLPI qualifies to be taxed as a REIT, GLPI could be subject to tax on any unrealized net built-in gains in the assets held before electing to be treated as a REIT.

GLPI will own appreciated assets that were held by a C corporation before GLPI elected to be treated as a REIT and were acquired by GLPI in a transaction in which the adjusted tax basis of the assets in GLPI's hands is determined by reference to the adjusted tax basis of the assets in the hands of the C corporation. If GLPI disposes of any such appreciated assets during the ten-year period following GLPI's acquisition of the assets from the C corporation (i.e., during the ten-year period following GLPI's qualification as a REIT), GLPI will be subject to tax at the highest corporate tax rates on any gain from such assets to the extent of the excess of the fair market value of the assets on the date that they were acquired by GLPI (i.e., at the time that GLPI became a REIT) over the adjusted tax basis of such assets on such date, which are referred to as built-in gains. GLPI would be subject to this tax liability even if it qualifies and maintains its status as a REIT. Any recognized built-in gain will retain its character as ordinary income or capital gain and will be taken into account in determining REIT taxable income and GLPI's distribution requirement. Any tax on the recognized built-in gain will reduce REIT taxable income. GLPI may choose not to sell in a taxable transaction appreciated assets it might otherwise sell during the ten-year period in which the built-in gain tax applies in order to avoid the built-in gain tax. However, there can be no assurances that such a taxable transaction will not occur. If GLPI sells such assets in a taxable transaction, the amount of corporate tax that GLPI will pay will vary depending on the actual amount of net built-in gain or loss present in those assets as of the time GLPI became a REIT. The amount of tax could be significant.

Risk Factors Relating to Our Business following the Spin-Off

We will be dependent on Penn (including its subsidiaries) until we substantially diversify our portfolio, and an event that has a material adverse effect on Penn's business, financial position or results of operations could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position or results of operations.

Immediately following the Spin-Off, a subsidiary of Penn will be the lessee of substantially all of our properties pursuant to the Master Lease and account for a significant portion of our revenues. Additionally, because the Master Lease is a triple-net lease, we will depend on Penn to pay all insurance, taxes, utilities and maintenance and repair expenses in connection with these leased properties and to indemnify, defend and hold us harmless from and against various claims, litigation and liabilities arising in connection with its business. There can be no assurance that Penn will have sufficient assets, income and access to financing to enable it to satisfy its payment obligations under the Master Lease. The inability or unwillingness of Penn to meet its subsidiary's rent obligations and other obligations under the Master Lease could materially adversely affect our business, financial position or results of operations, including our ability to pay dividends to our shareholders as required to maintain our status as a REIT. For these reasons, if Penn were to experience a material adverse effect on its gaming business, financial position or results of operations, our business, financial position or results of operations could also be materially adversely affected.

Due to our dependence on rental payments from Penn and its tenant subsidiary as our main source of revenues, we may be limited in our ability to enforce our rights under the Master Lease or to

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terminate the lease with respect to a particular property. Failure by Penn's tenant subsidiary to comply with the terms of the Master Lease or to comply with the gaming regulations to which the leased properties are subject could require us to find another lessee for such leased property and there could be a decrease or cessation of rental payments by Penn. In such event, we may be unable to locate a suitable lessee at similar rental rates or at all, which would have the effect of reducing our rental revenues.

Our management team, including chairman and chief executive officer (Peter M. Carlino) and chief financial officer (William J. Clifford), has limited experience operating a REIT.

The requirements for qualifying as a REIT are highly technical and complex. Penn has never operated as a REIT, and our management team, including chairman and chief executive officer (Peter M. Carlino) and chief financial officer (William J. Clifford), has limited experience in complying with the income, asset and other limitations imposed by the REIT provisions of the Code. Any failure to comply with those provisions in a timely manner could prevent GLPI from qualifying as a REIT or could force GLPI to pay unexpected taxes and penalties. In such event, GLPI's net income would be reduced and GLPI could incur a loss, which could materially harm its business, financial position or results of operations. In addition, there is no assurance that their past experience with the acquisition, development and disposition of gaming facilities will be sufficient to enable them to successfully manage GLPI's portfolio of properties as required by its business plan or the REIT provisions of the Code.

We may have future capital needs and may not be able to obtain additional financing on acceptable terms.

In connection with our Spin-Off from Penn, we expect to incur indebtedness of approximately \$2.425 billion, with an additional \$700 million available for borrowing under our senior unsecured credit facilities. We expect that we will transfer most of the proceeds from this indebtedness to Penn or one of its affiliates in connection with the Internal Reorganization. We may incur additional indebtedness in the future to refinance our existing indebtedness or to finance newly-acquired properties. Any significant additional indebtedness could require a substantial portion of our cash flow to make interest and principal payments due on our indebtedness. Greater demands on our cash resources may reduce funds available to us to pay dividends, make capital expenditures and acquisitions, or carry out other aspects of our business strategy. Increased indebtedness can also limit our ability to adjust rapidly to changing market conditions, make us more vulnerable to general adverse economic and industry conditions and create competitive disadvantages for us compared to other companies with relatively lower debt levels. Increased future debt service obligations may limit our operational flexibility, including our ability to acquire properties, finance or refinance our properties, contribute properties to joint ventures or sell properties as needed.

Moreover, our ability to obtain additional financing and satisfy our financial obligations under indebtedness outstanding from time to time will depend upon our future operating performance, which is subject to then prevailing general economic and credit market conditions, including interest rate levels and the availability of credit generally, and financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control. The prolonged continuation or worsening of current credit market conditions would have a material adverse effect on our ability to obtain financing on favorable terms, if at all.

We may be unable to obtain additional financing or financing on favorable terms or our operating cash flow may be insufficient to satisfy our financial obligations under indebtedness outstanding from time to time (if any). Among other things, the absence of an investment grade credit rating or any credit rating downgrade could increase our financing costs and could limit our access to financing sources. If financing is not available when needed, or is available on unfavorable terms, we may be unable to develop new or enhance our existing properties, complete acquisitions or otherwise take

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advantage of business opportunities or respond to competitive pressures, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to engage in significant equity issuances will be limited or restricted after our Spin-Off from Penn in order to preserve the tax-free nature of the Spin-Off. If and when additional funds are raised through the issuance of equity securities, our shareholders may experience significant dilution. Additionally, sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market following the Spin-Off, or the perception that such sales could occur, could adversely affect the market price of our common stock, may make it more difficult for our shareholders to sell their GLPI common stock at a time and price that they deem appropriate and could impair our future ability to raise capital through an offering of our equity securities.

Covenants in our debt agreements may limit our operational flexibility, and a covenant breach or default could materially adversely affect our business, financial position or results of operations.

The agreements governing our indebtedness are expected to contain customary covenants, including restrictions on our ability to grant liens on our assets, incur indebtedness, sell assets, make investments, engage in acquisitions, mergers or consolidations and pay certain dividends and other restricted payments. We also anticipate having to comply with the following financial covenants: a maximum total debt to total asset value ratio of 60% (subject to increase to 65% for specified periods in connection with certain acquisitions), a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 2 to 1, a maximum senior secured debt to total asset value ratio of 40% and a maximum unsecured debt to unencumbered asset value ratio of 60%. These restrictions may limit our operational flexibility. Covenants that limit our operational flexibility as well as defaults under our debt instruments could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position or results of operations.

An increase in market interest rates could increase our interest costs on existing and future debt and could adversely affect our stock price.

If interest rates increase, so could our interest costs for any new debt and our variable rate debt obligations. This increased cost could make the financing of any acquisition more costly, as well as lower our current period earnings. Rising interest rates could limit our ability to refinance existing debt when it matures or cause us to pay higher interest rates upon refinancing. In addition, an increase in interest rates could decrease the access third parties have to credit, thereby decreasing the amount they are willing to pay for our assets and consequently limiting our ability to reposition our portfolio promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions.

Further, the dividend yield on our common stock, as a percentage of the price of such common stock, will influence the price of such common stock. Thus, an increase in market interest rates may lead prospective purchasers of our common stock to expect a higher dividend yield, which would adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

We are dependent on the gaming industry and may be susceptible to the risks associated with it, which could materially adversely affect our business, financial position or results of operations.

As the owner of gaming facilities, we will be impacted by the risks associated with the gaming industry. Therefore, our success is to some degree dependent on the gaming industry, which could be adversely affected by economic conditions in general, changes in consumer trends and preferences and other factors over which we and our tenants have no control. As we are subject to risks inherent in substantial investments in a single industry, a decrease in the gaming business would likely have a greater adverse effect on our revenues than if we owned a more diversified real estate portfolio, particularly because a component of the rent under the Master Lease is based, over time, on the performance of the gaming facilities operated by Penn on our properties.

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The gaming industry is characterized by a high degree of competition among a large number of participants, including riverboat casinos, dockside casinos, land-based casinos, video lottery, sweepstakes and poker machines not located in casinos, Native American gaming, internet lotteries and other internet wagering gaming services and, in a broader sense, gaming operators face competition from all manner of leisure and entertainment activities. Gaming competition is intense in most of the markets where our facilities are located. Recently, there has been additional significant competition in the gaming industry as a result of the upgrading or expansion of facilities by existing market participants, the entrance of new gaming participants into a market or legislative changes. As competing properties and new markets are opened our business results may be negatively impacted. Additionally, increases in discretionary consumer spending brought about by weakened general economic conditions such as, but not limited to, high unemployment levels, higher income taxes, low levels of consumer confidence, weakness in the housing market and increased stock market volatility may negatively impact our revenues. Inclement weather and other casualty events could seriously disrupt our business and have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

The operations of our facilities are subject to disruptions or reduced patronage as a result of severe weather conditions, natural disasters and other casualty events. Because many of our facilities are located on or adjacent to bodies of water, they are subject to risks in addition to those associated with land-based facilities, including loss of service due to casualty, forces of nature, mechanical failure, extended or extraordinary maintenance, flood, hurricane or other severe weather conditions. A component of the rent under the Master Lease is based, over time, on the performance of the gaming facilities operated by Penn on our properties; consequently, a casualty that leads to the loss of use of a casino facility subject to the Master Lease for an extended period may negatively impact our revenues.

We face extensive regulation from gaming and other regulatory authorities.

The ownership, operation, and management of gaming and racing facilities are subject to pervasive regulation. These regulations will impact both our ownership and operation of the TRS Properties and the operations of our gaming tenants. Our ownership and operation of the TRS Properties will subject GLPI and its officers and directors to the jurisdiction of the gaming regulatory agencies in Louisiana and Maryland. Further, many gaming and racing regulatory agencies in the jurisdictions in which Penn operates will require GLPI and its affiliates to maintain a license as a key business entity or supplier of Penn because of GLPI's status as landlord.

In many jurisdictions, gaming laws can require certain of our shareholders to file an application, be investigated, and qualify or have his, her or its suitability determined by gaming authorities. Gaming authorities have very broad discretion in determining whether an applicant should be deemed suitable. Subject to certain administrative proceeding requirements, the gaming regulators have the authority to deny any application or limit, condition, restrict, revoke or suspend any license, registration, finding of suitability or approval, or fine any person licensed, registered or found suitable or approved, for any cause deemed reasonable by the gaming authorities.

Many jurisdictions also require any person who acquires beneficial ownership of more than a certain percentage of voting securities of a gaming company and, in some jurisdictions, non-voting securities, typically 5%, to report the acquisition to gaming authorities, and gaming authorities may require such holders to apply for qualification or a finding of suitability, subject to limited exceptions for "institutional investors" that hold a company's voting securities for investment purposes only. Some jurisdictions may also limit the number of gaming licenses in which a person may hold an ownership or a controlling interest.

Additionally, substantially all material loans, leases, sales of securities and similar financing transactions by GLPI and its subsidiaries must be reported to and in some cases approved by gaming authorities. Neither GLPI nor any of its subsidiaries may make a public offering of securities without

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the prior approval of certain gaming authorities. Changes in control through merger, consolidation, stock or asset acquisitions, management or consulting agreements, or otherwise are subject to receipt of prior approval of gaming authorities. Entities seeking to acquire control of GLPI or one of its subsidiaries must satisfy gaming authorities with respect to a variety of stringent standards prior to assuming control.

Required regulatory approvals can delay or prohibit transfers of our gaming properties, which could result in periods in which we are unable to receive rent for such properties.

The tenants of our gaming properties will be operators of gaming facilities, which operators must be licensed under applicable state law. Prior to the transfer of gaming facilities, the new operator generally must become licensed under state law. In the event that the Master Lease or any future lease agreement we will enter into is terminated or expires and a new tenant is found, then any delays in the new tenant receiving regulatory approvals from the applicable state government agencies, or the inability to receive such approvals, may prolong the period during which we are unable to collect the applicable rent.

Our pursuit of investments in, and acquisitions or development of, additional properties may be unsuccessful or fail to meet our expectations.

We will operate in a highly competitive industry and face competition from other REITs, investment companies, private equity and hedge fund investors, sovereign funds, lenders, gaming companies and other investors, some of whom are significantly larger and have greater resources and lower costs of capital. Increased competition will make it more challenging to identify and successfully capitalize on acquisition opportunities that meet our investment objectives. If we cannot identify and purchase a sufficient quantity of gaming properties and other properties at favorable prices or if we are unable to finance acquisitions on commercially favorable terms, our business, financial position or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. Additionally, the fact that we must distribute 90% of our net taxable income in order to maintain our qualification as a REIT may limit our ability to rely upon rental payments from our leased properties or subsequently acquired properties in order to finance acquisitions. As a result, if debt or equity financing is not available on acceptable terms, further acquisitions might be limited or curtailed.

Investments in and acquisitions of gaming properties and other properties we might seek to acquire entail risks associated with real estate investments generally, including that the investment's performance will fail to meet expectations, that the cost estimates for necessary property improvements will prove inaccurate or that the tenant, operator or manager will underperform. Real estate development projects present other risks, including construction delays or cost overruns that increase expenses, the inability to obtain required zoning, occupancy and other governmental approvals and permits on a timely basis, and the incurrence of significant development costs prior to completion of the project.

Our charter will restrict the ownership and transfer of our outstanding stock, which may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or change of control of our company.

In order for GLPI to qualify to be taxed as a REIT, not more than 50% in value of its outstanding shares of stock may be owned, actually or constructively, by five or fewer individuals at any time during the last half of each taxable year after the first year for which GLPI elects to qualify to be taxed as a REIT. Additionally, at least 100 persons must beneficially own GLPI stock during at least 335 days of a taxable year (other than the first taxable year for which GLPI elects to be taxed as a REIT). GLPI's charter, with certain exceptions, will authorize the board of directors to take such actions as are necessary and desirable to preserve GLPI's qualification as a REIT. GLPI's charter will also provide that, subject to certain exceptions with respect to certain members of the Carlino family and Fortress

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and unless exempted by the board of directors, no person may beneficially or constructively own more than 7% in value or in number, whichever is more restrictive, of GLPI's outstanding shares of all classes and series of stock. See "Description of Capital Stock of GLPI Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer" and "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations." The constructive ownership rules are complex and may cause shares of stock owned directly or constructively by a group of related individuals or entities to be constructively owned by one individual or entity. These ownership limits could delay or prevent a transaction or a change in control of GLPI that might involve a premium price for shares of GLPI stock or otherwise be in the best interests of GLPI shareholders. The acquisition of less than 7% of our outstanding stock by an individual or entity could cause that individual or entity to own beneficially or constructively in excess of 7% in value of our outstanding stock, and thus violate our charter's ownership limit. Our charter will also prohibit any person from owning shares of our stock that would result in our being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code. Any attempt to own or transfer shares of our stock in violation of these restrictions may result in the transfer being automatically void. GLPI's charter will also provide that shares of GLPI's capital stock acquired or held in excess of the ownership limit will be transferred to a trust for the benefit of a designated charitable beneficiary, and that any person who acquires shares of GLPI's capital stock in violation of the ownership limit will not be entitled to any dividends on the shares or be entitled to vote the shares or receive any proceeds from the subsequent sale of the shares in excess of the lesser of the market price on the day the shares were transferred to the trust or the amount realized from the sale. GLPI or its designee will have the right to purchase the shares from the trustee at this calculated price as well. A transfer of shares of GLPI's capital stock in violation of the limit may be void under certain circumstances. GLPI's 7% ownership limitation may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of GLPI, including an extraordinary transaction (such as a merger, tender offer or sale of all or substantially all of our assets) that might provide a premium price for GLPI's shareholders. To assist GLPI in complying with applicable gaming laws, our charter will also provide that capital stock of GLPI that is owned or controlled by an unsuitable person or an affiliate of an unsuitable person will be transferred to a trust for the benefit of a designated charitable beneficiary, and that any such unsuitable person or affiliate will not be entitled to any dividends on the shares or be entitled to vote the shares or receive any proceeds from the subsequent sale of the shares in excess of the lesser of the price paid by the unsuitable person or affiliate for the shares or the amount realized from the sale, in each case less a discount in a percentage (up to 100%) to be determined by our board of directors in its sole and absolute discretion. The shares shall additionally be redeemable by GLPI, out of funds legally available for that redemption, to the extent required by the gaming authorities making the determination of unsuitability or to the extent determined to be necessary or advisable by our board, at a redemption price equal to the lesser of (i) the market price on the date of the redemption notice, (ii) the market price on the redemption date, or (iii) the actual amount paid for the shares by the owner thereof, in each case less a discount in a percentage (up to 100%) to be determined by our board of directors in its sole and absolute discretion.

Pennsylvania law and provisions in our charter and bylaws may delay or prevent takeover attempts by third parties and therefore inhibit GLPI's shareholders from realizing a premium on their stock.

GLPI's charter and bylaws will contain, and Pennsylvania law contains, provisions that are intended to deter coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage prospective acquirors to negotiate with GLPI's board of directors rather than to attempt a hostile takeover. GLPI's charter and bylaws will, among other things (i) permit the board of directors, without further action of the shareholders, to issue and fix the terms of preferred stock, which may have rights senior to those of the common stock; (ii) establish certain advance notice procedures for shareholder proposals, and require all director candidates to be recommended by the nominating committee of the board of directors; (iii) classify our board of directors into three separate classes with staggered terms; (iv) provide that a director may only be removed by shareholders for cause and upon the vote of 75%

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of the shares entitled to vote; (v) not permit direct nomination by shareholders of nominees for election to the board of directors, but will instead permit shareholders to recommend potential nominees to the compensation and governance committee; (vi) require shareholders to have beneficially owned at least 1% of the outstanding GLPI common stock in order to recommend a person for nomination for election to the board, or to present a shareholder proposal, for action at a shareholders meeting; and (vii) provide for supermajority approval requirements for amending or repealing certain provisions in our charter and in order to approve an amendment or repeal of any provision of our bylaws that has not been proposed by our board of directors.

In addition, specific anti-takeover provisions in Pennsylvania law could make it more difficult for a third party to attempt a hostile takeover. These provisions require (i) approval of certain transactions by a majority of the voting stock other than that held by the potential acquirer; (ii) the acquisition at "fair value" of all the outstanding shares not held by an acquirer of 20% or more; (iii) a five-year moratorium on certain "business combination" transactions with an "interested shareholder;" (iv) the loss by interested shareholders of their voting rights over "control shares;" (v) the disgorgement of profits realized by an interested shareholder from certain dispositions of GLPI shares; and (vi) severance payments for certain employees and prohibiting termination of certain labor contracts.

GLPI's believes these provisions will protect its shareholders from coercive or otherwise unfair takeover tactics by requiring potential acquirors to negotiate with GLPI's board of directors and by providing GLPI's board of directors with more time to assess any acquisition proposal. These provisions are not intended to make GLPI immune from takeovers. However, these provisions will apply even if the offer may be considered beneficial by some shareholders and could delay or prevent an acquisition that GLPI's board of directors determines is not in the best interests of GLPI. These provisions may also prevent or discourage attempts to remove and replace incumbent directors.

If we lose our key management personnel, we may not be able to successfully manage our business and achieve our objectives.

Our success depends in large part upon the leadership and performance of our executive management team, particularly Peter M. Carlino, our chief executive officer, and William J. Clifford, our chief financial officer. If we lose the services of Messrs. Carlino or Clifford, we may not be able to successfully manage our business or achieve our business objectives.

We may experience uninsured or underinsured losses, which could result in a significant loss of the capital we have invested in a property, decrease anticipated future revenues or cause us to incur unanticipated expense.

While the Master Lease will require, and new lease agreements are expected to require, that comprehensive insurance and hazard insurance be maintained by the tenants, there are certain types of losses, generally of a catastrophic nature, such as earthquakes, hurricanes and floods, that may be uninsurable or not economically insurable. Insurance coverage may not be sufficient to pay the full current market value or current replacement cost of a loss. Inflation, changes in building codes and ordinances, environmental considerations, and other factors also might make it infeasible to use insurance proceeds to replace the property after such property has been damaged or destroyed. Under such circumstances, the insurance proceeds received might not be adequate to restore the economic position with respect to such property.

If we experience a loss that is uninsured or that exceeds our policy coverage limits, we could lose the capital invested in the damaged properties as well as the anticipated future cash flows from those properties. In addition, if the damaged properties were subject to recourse indebtedness, we could continue to be liable for the indebtedness even if these properties were irreparably damaged.

In addition, even if damage to our properties is covered by insurance, a disruption of our business caused by a casualty event may result in the loss of business or tenants. The business interruption

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insurance we carry may not fully compensate us for the loss of business or tenants due to an interruption caused by a casualty event. Further, if one of our tenants has insurance but is underinsured, that tenant may be unable to satisfy its payment obligations under its lease with us.

A disruption in the financial markets may make it more difficult to evaluate the stability, net assets and capitalization of insurance companies and any insurer's ability to meet its claim payment obligations. A failure of an insurance company to make payments to us upon an event of loss covered by an insurance policy could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Environmental compliance costs and liabilities associated with real estate properties owned by us may materially impair the value of those investments.

As an owner of real property, we will be subject to various federal, state and local environmental and health and safety laws and regulations. Although we will not operate or manage most of our property, we may be held primarily or jointly and severally liable for costs relating to the investigation and clean-up of any property from which there has been a release or threatened release of a regulated material as well as other affected properties, regardless of whether we knew of or caused the release.

In addition to these costs, which are typically not limited by law or regulation and could exceed the property's value, we could be liable for certain other costs, including governmental fines and injuries to persons, property or natural resources. Further, some environmental laws create a lien on the contaminated site in favor of the government for damages and the costs the government incurs in connection with such contamination.

Although we intend to require our operators and tenants to undertake to indemnify us for certain environmental liabilities, including environmental liabilities they cause, the amount of such liabilities could exceed the financial ability of the tenant or operator to indemnify us. The presence of contamination or the failure to remediate contamination may adversely affect our ability to sell or lease the real estate or to borrow using the real estate as collateral.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Forward-looking statements in this Prospectus, the public filings or other public statements of the Company are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements or other public statements. Forward-looking statements include information concerning the Company's future financial performance, business strategy, plans, goals and objectives and information concerning the completion of the Spin-Off and the realization of related anticipated benefits.

Statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "projects," "estimates," "plans," "may increase," "may fluctuate," and similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "should," "would," "may" and "could" are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. You should understand that the following important factors could affect future results and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements:

the effects of local and national economic, credit, capital market, housing, and energy conditions on the economy in general and on the gaming and lodging industries in particular;

the ability and willingness of our tenants, operators and other third parties to meet and/or perform their obligations under their respective contractual arrangements with us, including, in some cases, their obligations to indemnify, defend and hold us harmless from and against various claims, litigation and liabilities;

the ability of our tenants and operators to maintain the financial strength and liquidity necessary to satisfy their respective obligations and liabilities to third parties, including without limitation obligations under their existing credit facilities and other indebtedness;

the ability of our tenants and operators to comply with laws, rules and regulations in the operation of our properties, to deliver high quality services, to attract and retain qualified personnel and to attract customers;

the ability and willingness of our tenants to renew their leases with us upon expiration of the leases, our ability to reposition our properties on the same or better terms in the event of nonrenewal or in the event we exercise our right to replace an existing tenant, and obligations, including indemnification obligations, we may incur in connection with the replacement of an existing tenant;

the availability and the ability to identify suitable and attractive acquisition and development opportunities and the ability to acquire and lease the respective properties on favorable terms;

the willingness of gaming operators other than Penn to enter into leasing transactions or other arrangements with us;

the ability to diversify into different businesses in which Penn, as a practical matter, could not diversify, such as hotels, entertainment facilities and office space;

the ability to receive, or delays in obtaining, the regulatory approvals required to own, develop and/or operate our properties, or other delays or impediments to completing our planned acquisitions or projects;

the degree and nature of our competition;

the ability to generate sufficient cash flows to service our outstanding indebtedness;

the access to debt and equity capital markets;

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fluctuating interest rates;

the availability of qualified personnel and our ability to retain our key management personnel;

the outcome of any legal proceedings to which we are a party;

the ability to maintain our status as a REIT;

changes in the U.S. tax law and other state, federal or local laws, whether or not specific to REITs or to the gaming or lodging industries;

changes in accounting standards;

the impact of weather events or conditions, natural disasters, acts of terrorism and other international hostilities, war or political instability;

other risks inherent in the real estate business, including potential liability relating to environmental matters and illiquidity of real estate investments; and

additional factors discussed in the sections entitled "Business and Properties of GLPI," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of GLPI" in this Prospectus.

Certain of these factors and other factors, risks and uncertainties are discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of this Prospectus. Other unknown or unpredictable factors may also cause actual results to differ materially from those projected by the forward-looking statements. Most of these factors are difficult to anticipate and are generally beyond the control of Penn and the Company.

You should consider the areas of risk described above, as well as those set forth under the heading "Risk Factors," in connection with considering any forward-looking statements that may be made by the Company generally. Except for the ongoing obligations of the Company to disclose material information under the federal securities laws, the Company does not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements, to report events or to report the occurrence of unanticipated events unless required to do so by law.

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THE SEPARATION

General

The board of directors of Penn has announced a plan to separate its operating assets and real property assets, along with their associated liabilities, into two separate, publicly traded companies: an operating entity and a REIT. Penn will accomplish the separation by contributing substantially all of the assets and liabilities associated with Penn's real property interests and real estate development business, as well as the assets and liabilities of the TRS Properties that will be operated by its TRSs, to GLPI through a series of internal corporate restructurings, which we refer to herein as the "Internal Reorganization," and then distributing all of the outstanding shares of GLPI common stock owned by Penn immediately prior to the Spin-Off to holders of Penn common stock and Penn Series C preferred stock on the record date. Immediately following the distributions, Penn shareholders will own 100% of the outstanding common stock of Penn and 100% of the outstanding common stock of GLPI.

In connection with the Separation, Penn will allocate its accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) for periods prior to the consummation of the Separation between Penn and GLPI in a manner that, in its best judgment, is in accordance with the provisions of the Code. In connection with its election to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI will make the Purging Distribution by declaring a dividend to its shareholders to distribute any accumulated earnings and profits relating to the real property assets and attributable to any pre-REIT years, including any earnings and profits allocated to GLPI in connection with the Separation, to comply with certain REIT qualification requirements. Penn estimates that the Purging Distribution will total approximately \$1.05 billion, or approximately \$11.81 per share of GLPI common stock outstanding immediately prior to the Purging Distribution. The Purging Distribution will be paid in a combination of cash and GLPI stock, which Penn anticipates will consist of approximately 26% cash and 74% GLPI stock. See " The Purging Distribution."

The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. In addition, the Spin-Off is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of a number of conditions. These conditions include the receipt of all gaming approvals required to be obtained prior to the Spin-Off. See " Conditions to the Spin-Off."

Reasons for the Separation

As part of its long term business strategy to increase shareholder value, Penn's board of directors has long sought to significantly expand Penn's gaming business and its property business through (i) strategic acquisitions of existing gaming properties and (ii) development of new gaming facilities. However, the operation of the gaming and property businesses within the current Penn structure presents significant obstacles to successfully achieving the desired level of growth for this business strategy. The Spin-Off is expected to significantly ameliorate these expansion challenges.

Penn expects the Spin-Off to facilitate strategic expansion opportunities for the property business by providing GLPI the ability to:

- (i) pursue transactions with other gaming operators that would not pursue transactions with Penn as a current competitor,
- (ii) fund acquisitions with its equity on significantly more favorable terms than those that would be available to Penn,
- (iii) diversify into different businesses in which Penn, as a practical matter, could not diversify, such as hotels, entertainment facilities and office space, and

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(iv)

pursue certain transactions that Penn otherwise would be disadvantaged by or precluded from pursuing due to regulatory constraints.

The Number of Shares You Will Receive in the Spin-Off

For every share of Penn common stock and every 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock that you owned at the close of business on October 16, 2013, the record date, you will receive one share of common stock of GLPI on the distribution date. Pursuant to the Compliance Exchanges, Peter M. Carlino and a related trust will exchange shares of Penn common stock for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the Spin-Off and Mr. Carlino will also exchange options to acquire Penn common stock for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off, as described below under "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off Peter M. Carlino."

When and How You Will Receive the Distribution

Penn expects to distribute the shares of GLPI common stock on November 1, 2013, the distribution date. However, the Penn board of directors may determine to delay or abandon the Spin-Off. Continental Stock Transfer & Trust will serve as transfer agent and registrar for the GLPI common stock and as distribution agent in connection with the Spin-Off.

If you own Penn common stock and/or Penn Series C preferred stock as of the close of business on the record date, the shares of GLPI common stock that you are entitled to receive in the Spin-Off will be issued electronically, as of the distribution date, to you or to your bank or brokerage firm on your behalf by way of direct registration in book-entry form. Registration in book-entry form refers to a method of recording stock ownership when no physical share certificates are issued to shareholders, as is the case in the Spin-Off.

Commencing on or shortly after the distribution date, if you hold physical stock certificates that represent your shares of Penn common stock and/or Penn Series C preferred stock and you are the registered holder of the Penn shares represented by those certificates, the distribution agent will mail to you an account statement that indicates the number of shares of GLPI common stock that have been registered in book-entry form in your name. If you have any questions concerning the mechanics of having shares of GLPI common stock registered in book-entry form, you are encouraged to contact Continental Stock Transfer & Trust by mail at 17 Battery Place, 8th Floor, New York NY 10004, by phone at (800) 509-5586 or (212) 509-4000 or by email at cstmail@continentalstock.com.

Most Penn shareholders hold their shares of Penn common stock through a bank or brokerage firm. In such cases, the bank or brokerage firm would be said to hold the stock in "street name" and ownership would be recorded on the bank or brokerage firm's books. If you hold your Penn common stock through a bank or brokerage firm, your bank or brokerage firm will credit your account for the shares of common stock of GLPI that you are entitled to receive in the Spin-Off. If you have any questions concerning the mechanics of having shares of GLPI common stock held in "street name," you are encouraged to contact your bank or brokerage firm.

Results of the Separation

After the Spin-Off, we will be a separate publicly traded company. Immediately following the Spin-Off, based on the number of registered shareholders of Penn common stock and preferred stock on September 30, 2013, and without giving effect to "when-issued" trading, we expect to have approximately 488 shareholders of record.

The actual number of shares to be distributed will be determined based on the number of shares of Penn common stock and preferred stock outstanding on the record date and will reflect the issuance

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of Penn common stock in connection with any exercise of Penn options, vesting of restricted stock or conversion of other convertible Penn securities between the date the Penn board of directors declares the dividend for the distribution and the record date for the Spin-Off and the issuance of Penn shares under vested Penn equity-based awards between the record date for the Spin-Off and the distribution date.

The Spin-Off will not affect the rights of Penn shareholders. The number of outstanding shares of Penn common stock and Penn preferred stock will only change as a result of, or in connection with, the Spin-Off to the extent resulting from (1) the exchange of (i) shares of Penn common stock beneficially owned by Peter M. Carlino and a related trust for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the distribution, and (ii) options to acquire Penn common stock, beneficially owned by Mr. Carlino for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off, (2) the Exchange Agreement with Fortress, and (3) the agreement with Centerbridge, as defined and described below. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off."

The Purging Distribution

In connection with the Separation, Penn will allocate its accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) for periods prior to the consummation of the Separation between Penn and GLPI in a manner that, in its best judgment, is in accordance with the provisions of the Code. In connection with its election to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, GLPI will make the Purging Distribution by declaring a dividend to its shareholders to distribute any accumulated earnings and profits relating to real property assets and attributable to any pre-REIT years, including any earnings and profits allocated to GLPI in connection with the Separation, to comply with certain REIT qualification requirements. The Purging Distribution will be paid in a combination of cash and GLPI stock, which Penn anticipates will consist of approximately 26% cash and 74% GLPI stock. Penn estimates that the Purging Distribution will total approximately \$1.05 billion, or approximately \$11.81 per share of GLPI common stock outstanding immediately prior to the Purging Distribution. For purposes of this calculation, the number of shares of GLPI common stock outstanding immediately prior to the Purging Distribution was determined assuming that approximately 845,000 shares of GLPI common stock, and options to acquire approximately 875,000 shares of GLPI common stock, will be issued and/or awarded to Peter M. Carlino and a related trust in exchange for shares of Penn common stock and/or options to acquire Penn common stock in the Compliance Exchanges.

Penn has received a private letter ruling from the IRS with respect to certain issues relevant to GLPI's payment of the Purging Distribution in a combination of cash and GLPI stock. Each GLPI shareholder will be permitted to elect to receive the shareholder's entire entitlement under the Purging Distribution in either cash or GLPI common stock, subject to the Cash Limitation. The Cash Limitation will in no event be less than 20% of the Purging Distribution declaration (without regard to any cash that may be paid in lieu of fractional shares), although it is currently expected to comprise approximately 26% of the Purging Distribution. If GLPI shareholders elect to receive an amount of cash in excess of the Cash Limitation, each such electing shareholder will receive a pro rata amount of cash corresponding to the shareholder's respective entitlement under the Purging Distribution declaration. In general, the ruling provides, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, that (1) the Purging Distribution will be treated as a dividend that will first reduce GLPI's accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) attributable to pre-REIT years in satisfaction of the REIT annual distribution requirement and (2) the amount of any GLPI stock received by any GLPI shareholder as part of the Purging Distribution will be considered to equal the amount of cash that could have been received instead. In the Purging Distribution, a shareholder of

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GLPI common stock will be required to report dividend income as a result of the Purging Distribution even though GLPI distributed no cash or only nominal amounts of cash to such shareholder.

GLPI's shareholders should consult your own tax advisor as to the particular consequences of the Purging Distribution to you, including the applicability and effect of any U.S. federal, state and local tax laws, as well as foreign tax laws.

Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Spin-Off

Subject to the limitations and qualifications described herein and in Exhibit 8.1, the discussion entitled "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences: The Spin-Off Qualifies as a Transaction That Is Generally Tax Free under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code" constitutes the opinion of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz as to the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Spin-Off to U.S. holders (as defined below) of Penn common stock that receive shares of GLPI common stock in the distribution. This summary is based on the Code, the U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, and interpretations of the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations by the courts and the IRS, in effect as of the date hereof, and all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. This summary does not discuss all the tax considerations that may be relevant to Penn shareholders in light of their particular circumstances, nor does it address the consequences to Penn shareholders subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws (such as holders other than U.S. Holders (as defined below), insurance companies, dealers or brokers in securities or currencies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, mutual funds, pass-through entities and investors in such entities, holders who hold their shares as a hedge or as part of a hedging, straddle, conversion, synthetic security, integrated investment or other risk-reduction transaction or who are subject to alternative minimum tax or holders who acquired their shares upon the exercise of employee stock options or otherwise as compensation). In addition, this summary does not address the U.S. federal income tax consequences to those Penn shareholders who do not hold their Penn common stock as a capital asset. Finally, this summary does not address any state, local or foreign tax consequences.

PENN SHAREHOLDERS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE U.S. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AND NON-U.S. TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE SPIN-OFF TO THEM.

For purposes of this discussion, a U.S. holder is a beneficial owner of Penn common stock that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or the District of Columbia;

an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust if (1) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of such trust or (2) in the case of a trust that was treated as a domestic trust under the law in effect before 1997, a valid election is in place under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations.

If a partnership, including any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, holds Penn common stock, the tax treatment of a partner generally will depend on the status of the partner and on the activities of the partnership. Partners in a partnership holding Penn common stock should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of the Spin-Off.

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Spin-Off

Penn has received the IRS Ruling substantially to the effect that the Spin-Off, together with the Carlino Stock Exchange and certain related transactions, will qualify as a reorganization for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code.

Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences: The Spin-Off Qualifies as a Transaction That Is Generally Tax Free under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code

The U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Spin-Off are as follows: (i) the Spin-Off will not result in any taxable income, gain or loss to Penn, except for taxable income or gain possibly arising as a result of certain intercompany transactions; (ii) no gain or loss will be recognized by (and no amount will be included in the income of) U.S. Holders of Penn common stock upon their receipt of shares of GLPI common stock in the Spin-Off; (iii) the aggregate tax basis of the Penn common stock and the GLPI common stock in the hands of each U.S. Holder of Penn common stock after the Spin-Off will equal the aggregate basis of Penn common stock held by the U.S. Holder immediately before the Spin-Off, allocated between the Penn common stock and the common stock of GLPI in proportion to the relative fair market value of each on the date of the Spin-Off; and (iv) the holding period of the GLPI common stock received by each U.S. Holder of Penn common stock will include the holding period at the time of the Spin-Off for the Penn common stock on which the distribution is made, provided that Penn common stock is held as a capital asset on the date of the distribution. U.S. Treasury regulations also generally provide that if a U.S. Holder of Penn common stock holds different blocks of Penn common stock (generally shares of Penn common stock purchased or acquired on different dates or at different prices), the aggregate basis for each block of Penn common stock purchased or acquired on the same date and at the same price will be allocated, to the greatest extent possible, between the shares of GLPI common stock received in the Spin-Off in respect of such block of Penn common stock and such block of Penn common stock, in proportion to their respective fair market values, and the holding period of the shares of GLPI common stock received in the Spin-Off in respect of such block of Penn common stock will include the holding period of such block of Penn common stock, provided that such block of Penn common stock was held as a capital asset on the distribution date. If a U.S. Holder of Penn common stock is not able to identify which particular shares of GLPI common stock are received in the Spin-Off with respect to a particular block of Penn common stock, for purposes of applying the rules described above, the U.S. Holder may designate which shares of GLPI common stock are received in the Spin-Off in respect of a particular block of Penn common stock, provided that such designation is consistent with the terms of the Spin-Off. Holders of Penn common stock are urged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the application of these rules to their particular circumstances.

Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences if the Spin-Off Were Taxable

Although a private letter ruling from the IRS generally is binding on the IRS, if the factual representations or assumptions made in the letter ruling request are untrue or incomplete in any material respect, GLPI will not be able to rely on the ruling. Furthermore, the IRS will not rule on whether a distribution satisfies certain requirements necessary to obtain tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Code. Rather, the IRS Ruling is based upon representations by Penn that these conditions have been or will be satisfied, and any material inaccuracy in such representations could invalidate the rulings. In addition to obtaining the IRS Ruling, Penn expects to obtain opinions of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz and KPMG LLP substantially to the effect that, with respect to certain requirements for tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Code on which the IRS will not rule, such requirements will be satisfied. The opinions will rely on the ruling as to matters covered by the ruling. In addition, the opinions will be based on, among other things, certain assumptions and representations

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made by Penn and GLPI, which if incorrect or inaccurate in any material respect would jeopardize the conclusions reached in the opinions. The opinions will not be binding on the IRS or the courts.

Notwithstanding receipt by Penn of the IRS Ruling and the opinions, the IRS could assert that the Spin-Off does not qualify for tax-free treatment for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the IRS were successful in taking this position, Penn shareholders and Penn could be subject to significant U.S. federal income tax liability. In general, Penn would be subject to tax as if it had sold the GLPI common stock in a taxable sale for its fair market value and Penn shareholders who receive shares of GLPI common stock in the distribution would be subject to tax as if they had received a taxable distribution equal to the fair market value of such shares. In addition, even if the Spin-Off was otherwise to qualify under Section 355 of the Code, it may be taxable to Penn (but not to Penn shareholders) under Section 355(e) of the Code, if the Spin-Off were later deemed to be part of a plan (or series of related transactions) pursuant to which one or more persons acquire, directly or indirectly, stock representing a 50 percent or greater interest (by vote or value) in Penn or GLPI. For this purpose, any acquisitions of Penn stock or of GLPI stock within the period beginning two years before the Separation and ending two years after the Separation are presumed to be part of such a plan, although GLPI or Penn may be able to rebut that presumption.

Tax Matters Agreement

In connection with the Spin-Off, Penn and GLPI will enter into a Tax Matters Agreement pursuant to which GLPI will agree to be responsible for certain liabilities and obligations following the Spin-Off. In general, under the terms of the Tax Matters Agreement, in the event the Spin-Off were to fail to qualify for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code (including as a result of Section 355(e) of the Code) and if such failure were the result of actions taken after the Spin-Off by Penn or GLPI, the party responsible for such failure will be responsible for all taxes imposed on Penn to the extent such taxes result from such actions. However, if such failure was the result of any acquisition of GLPI shares or assets or any of GLPI's representations or undertakings being incorrect or breached, GLPI will be responsible for all taxes imposed on Penn as a result of such acquisition or breach. For a more detailed discussion, see "Relationship between GLPI and Penn after the Spin-Off The Tax Matters Agreement." GLPI's indemnification obligations to Penn and its subsidiaries, officers and directors will not be limited in amount or subject to any cap. If GLPI is required to indemnify Penn and its subsidiaries and their respective officers and directors under the circumstances set forth in the Tax Matters Agreement, GLPI may be subject to substantial liabilities.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

U.S. Treasury regulations require certain shareholders who receive stock in a distribution to attach to the shareholder's U.S. federal income tax return for the year in which the distribution occurs a detailed statement setting forth certain information relating to the tax-free nature of the distribution.

THE FOREGOING IS A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE SPIN-OFF UNDER CURRENT LAW AND IS FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY. THE FOREGOING DOES NOT PURPORT TO ADDRESS ALL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OR TAX CONSEQUENCES THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THE TAX LAWS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS OR THAT MAY APPLY TO PARTICULAR CATEGORIES OF SHAREHOLDERS. EACH PENN SHAREHOLDER SHOULD CONSULT HIS, HER OR ITS TAX ADVISOR AS TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE SPIN-OFF TO SUCH SHAREHOLDER, INCLUDING THE APPLICATION OF U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND FOREIGN TAX LAWS, AND THE EFFECT OF POSSIBLE CHANGES IN TAX LAWS THAT MAY AFFECT THE TAX CONSEQUENCES DESCRIBED ABOVE.

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Market for Common Stock of GLPI

There is currently no public market for the GLPI common stock. We intend to list our common stock on NASDAQ under the symbol "GLPI."

Trading Before the Distribution Date

Beginning on or shortly before the record date and continuing through the distribution date, it is expected that there will be two markets in Penn common stock: a "regular-way" market and an "ex-distribution" market. Shares of Penn common stock that trade on the regular way market will trade with an entitlement to shares of the common stock of GLPI distributed pursuant to the Spin-Off. Shares that trade on the ex-distribution market will trade without an entitlement to shares of the common stock of GLPI distributed pursuant to the Spin-Off. Therefore, if you sell shares of Penn common stock in the "regular-way" market up to and including the distribution date, you will be selling your right to receive shares of the common stock of GLPI in the Spin-Off. If you own shares of Penn common stock at the close of business on the record date and sell those shares on the "ex-distribution" market, up to and including the distribution date, you will still receive the shares of the common stock of GLPI that you would be entitled to receive pursuant to your ownership of the shares of Penn common stock.

Furthermore, beginning shortly before the distribution date and continuing up to and including the distribution date, it is expected that there will be a "when-issued" market in the common stock of GLPI. "When-issued" trading refers to a sale or purchase made conditionally because the security has been authorized but not yet issued. The "when-issued" trading market will be a market for shares of GLPI common stock that will be distributed to Penn shareholders on the distribution date. If you owned shares of Penn common stock at the close of business on the record date, you would be entitled to shares of GLPI's common stock distributed pursuant to the Spin-Off. You may trade this entitlement to shares of common stock of GLPI, without the shares of Penn common stock you own, on the "when-issued" market. On the first trading day following the distribution date, "when-issued" trading with respect to GLPI common stock will end and "regular-way" trading will begin.

Conditions to the Spin-Off

The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and the related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. This means Penn may cancel or delay the planned distribution of common stock of GLPI if at any time the board of directors of Penn determines that the distribution of such common stock is not in the best interests of Penn. If Penn's board of directors determines to cancel the Spin-Off, shareholders of Penn will not receive any distribution of GLPI common stock and Penn will be under no obligation whatsoever to its shareholders to distribute such shares.

Absent a determination of Penn's board of directors to the contrary, GLPI expects that the Spin-Off will be effective on November 1, 2013, the distribution date. In addition, the Spin-Off and related transactions are subject to the satisfaction or waiver (by Penn's board of directors in its sole discretion) of the following conditions:

the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Master Lease, the Tax Matters Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement and the Employee Matters Agreement shall have been duly executed and delivered to the parties thereto and the separation, the distribution and the related transactions in accordance with the plan of reorganization set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement shall have been completed;

the IRS Ruling to the effect that the Spin-Off, together with the Carlino Stock Exchange and certain related transactions, will qualify as a reorganization for U.S. federal income tax purposes

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under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code shall not have been modified, revoked or withdrawn;

Penn shall have received the respective opinions of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz and KPMG LLP to the effect that certain requirements for tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Code on which the IRS will not rule will be satisfied;

Penn shall have received the respective opinions of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz and KPMG LLP that GLPI will qualify to be taxed as a REIT under Sections 856 through 859 of the Code following the Spin-Off;

the Form S-11 containing this Prospectus shall have been declared effective by the SEC or become effective under the Securities Act, no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Form S-11 shall be in effect, no proceedings for such purpose shall be pending before or threatened by the SEC, and this Prospectus shall have been mailed to Penn's shareholders as of the Record Date;

all actions and filings necessary or appropriate under applicable federal, state or foreign securities or "blue sky" Laws and the rules and regulations thereunder shall have been taken and, where applicable, become effective or been accepted;

the GLPI common stock shall have been accepted for listing on NASDAQ, subject to compliance with applicable listing requirements;

no order, injunction or other legal restraint or prohibition preventing the consummation of the Spin-Off or related transactions shall be threatened, pending or in effect;

any material consents and governmental authorizations necessary to complete the Spin-Off (including all required regulatory approvals) shall have been obtained and be in full force and effect;

GLPI shall have entered into the financing transactions described in this Prospectus and contemplated to occur on or prior to the Spin-Off and Penn shall have entered into the financing transactions in connection with the Internal Reorganizations to occur on or prior to the Spin-Off, which financing arrangements shall be in full force and effect immediately prior to the Distribution, the respective financings thereunder to occur on or prior to the Spin-Off shall have been consummated and GLPI shall have transferred to Penn, directly or indirectly, approximately \$2.06 billion of proceeds from its borrowings under the senior credit facilities that it will enter into prior to the Spin-Off;

prior to the Spin-Off, the current GLPI board of directors shall have duly elected all individuals specified in this Prospectus as members of the GLPI board of directors who have not yet been elected as members of the GLPI board of directors;

Peter M. Carlino and a related trust shall have delivered shares of Penn common stock as contemplated by the Carlino Exchange Agreement, and the Carlino Exchange Agreement shall be in full force and effect immediately prior to the Spin-Off;

Penn and GLPI shall each have taken all necessary action to provide for the adoption and filing with the Secretary of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the amended and restated GLPI charter and bylaws substantially as described in this Prospectus;

at or prior to the Spin-Off, Penn and GLPI shall have taken all necessary action to approve the stock-based employee benefit plans of GLPI in order to satisfy the applicable rules and regulations of NASDAQ; and

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no event or development shall have occurred that, in the judgment of the Penn board of directors, makes it inadvisable to proceed with the transactions contemplated by the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

The fulfillment of the foregoing conditions will not create any obligation on the part of Penn to effect the Spin-Off.

Treatment of Penn Preferred Stock in the Spin-Off

Penn Series B Preferred Stock

As of September 30, 2013, there were 12,050 shares of Penn Series B preferred stock outstanding, 9,750 of which were held by Fortress and 2,300 of which were held by Centerbridge. Penn has entered into agreements with each of the holders of Penn Series B preferred stock to redeem for cash, or exchange for Penn Series C preferred stock, all of the outstanding shares of Penn Series B preferred stock prior to the record date of the Spin-Off.

Fortress

On January 16, 2013, Penn entered into an exchange agreement with Fortress (the "Exchange Agreement") The Exchange Agreement provides Fortress with the right to exchange each share of Penn Series B preferred stock for approximately 1.49 shares of Penn Series C preferred stock, an exchange ratio that treats each 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock (and therefore each share of Penn common stock into which such fractional share is convertible) as having a value of \$67 per share, which is the "ceiling price" at which the shares of Penn Series B preferred stock are redeemable by Penn at maturity in 2015. Pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, any shares of Penn Series B preferred stock not exchanged for shares of Penn Series C preferred stock prior to the second business day before the record date for the Spin-Off shall automatically be exchanged for shares of Penn Series C preferred stock at 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time on such date. Then, prior to the record date for the Spin-Off, Penn will have the right to purchase from Fortress the number of shares of Penn Series C preferred stock required to ensure that, immediately following the consummation of the Spin-Off, Fortress will own not more than 9.9% of GLPI's common stock.

Pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, Fortress may not transfer any shares of Penn Series B preferred stock prior to their conversion into Penn Series C preferred stock unless the transferee agrees to become bound by the terms, obligations and conditions of the Exchange Agreement applicable to Fortress.

Centerbridge

On January 30, 2013, Penn entered into an agreement with Centerbridge to repurchase all 2,300 outstanding shares of the Penn Series B preferred stock held by Centerbridge for \$230 million. The closing of the repurchase will occur two business days prior to the record date of the Spin-Off. Centerbridge has agreed not to transfer any shares of Penn Series B preferred stock prior to the repurchase unless such transfer is made to a party that agrees to be bound by the same obligation to sell its shares to Penn as Centerbridge and generally is made with the prior written consent of Penn, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Penn Series C Preferred Stock

As of September 30, 2013, there were no shares of Penn Series C preferred stock outstanding. As described above in " Penn Series B Preferred Stock," it is anticipated that shares of Penn Series B preferred stock owned by Fortress will be converted into approximately 14,552 shares of Penn Series C preferred stock prior to the Spin-Off. Each 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock

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automatically converts into a share of Penn common stock upon its sale to a third party not affiliated with the original holder.

Each 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock will receive one share of common stock of GLPI in the Spin-Off.

Accounting Treatment

At the time of the Spin-Off, the balance sheet of GLPI will include substantially all of the assets and liabilities associated with Penn's real property interests and real estate development business, as well as the assets and liabilities of TRS Properties that will be operated by its TRSs. The assets and liabilities of GLPI will be recorded at their respective historical carrying values at the time of the Separation in accordance with the provisions of FASB ASC 505-60, "Spinoffs and Reverse Spinoffs."

Financial Advisor

Wells Fargo & Company and Bank of America Merrill Lynch provided financial advice in connection with the Spin-Off. Each was retained in connection with the transaction because of the firm's familiarity with the businesses and assets of Penn and the firm's qualifications and reputation. Penn has paid each of Wells Fargo & Company and Bank of America Merrill Lynch a fee of \$250,000 and, subject to completion of the Separation and certain other conditions, may pay each up to an additional \$5.75 million, in connection with its engagement.

In addition to providing the written opinion described in "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions - Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off," Duff & Phelps provided financial advice to the independent directors of the board of directors of Penn in connection with the Spin-Off. Penn will pay Duff & Phelps an aggregate fee of \$1.4 million in connection with its engagement by Penn and the independent directors of the board of directors of Penn.

Reason for Furnishing this Prospectus

This Prospectus is being furnished solely to provide information to Penn shareholders who will receive shares of GLPI common stock in the Spin-Off. It is not to be construed as an inducement or encouragement to buy or sell any of our securities or any securities of Penn, nor is it to be construed as a solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed Spin-Off or any other matter. We believe that the information contained in this Prospectus is accurate as of the date set forth on the cover. Changes to the information contained in this Prospectus may occur after that date, and neither we nor Penn undertakes any obligation to update the information except in the normal course of our respective public disclosure obligations and practices.

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RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GLPI AND PENN AFTER THE SPIN-OFF

Following the Spin-Off, GLPI will be a publicly traded company independent from Penn. Although GLPI will lease all but two of its gaming and related facilities (the TRS Properties) to a subsidiary of Penn, GLPI anticipates diversifying its portfolio over time, including by acquiring properties outside the gaming industry to lease to third parties.

To govern their ongoing relationship, GLPI and Penn or their respective subsidiaries, as applicable, will enter into the various agreements on or prior to completion of the Spin-Off as described in this section. These summaries are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the applicable agreements, which are included as exhibits to this Registration Statement.

The Separation and Distribution Agreement

The following discussion summarizes the material provisions of the Separation and Distribution Agreement. The Separation and Distribution Agreement will set forth, among other things, our agreements with Penn regarding the principal transactions necessary to separate us from Penn. It also will set forth other agreements that govern certain aspects of our relationship with Penn after the distribution date.

Transfer of Assets and Assumption of Liabilities

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will identify assets to be transferred, liabilities to be assumed and contracts to be assigned to us as part of the separation of Penn into two companies, and it will provide for when and how these transfers, assumptions and assignments will occur. In particular, the Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide, among other things, that, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein:

certain assets associated with Penn's real property interests and real estate development business, as well as the TRS Properties, which we refer to as the "GLPI Assets," will be transferred to us or one of our subsidiaries;

certain liabilities (including whether accrued, contingent or otherwise) arising out of or resulting from the GLPI Assets, and other liabilities related to the businesses and operations of Penn's real property assets and the TRS Properties, which we refer to as the "GLPI Liabilities," will be retained by or transferred to us or one of our subsidiaries; and

all of the assets and liabilities (including whether accrued, contingent or otherwise) other than the GLPI Assets and GLPI Liabilities will be retained by Penn or one of its subsidiaries.

Except as may expressly be set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any other transaction agreements, all assets will be transferred on an "as is," "where is" basis and the respective transferees will bear the economic and legal risks that (i) any conveyance will prove to be insufficient to vest in the transferee good title, free and clear of any security interest, and (ii) any necessary consents or governmental approvals are not obtained or that any requirements of laws or judgments are not complied with.

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide, subject to the terms and considerations contained therein, that, in consideration for the transfer of the GLPI Assets to us, we will (i) issue (actually or constructively) to Penn shares of GLPI common stock which, along with any other shares of GLPI common stock owned by Penn, will constitute all of the outstanding stock of GLPI, and (ii) transfer to Penn, directly or indirectly, approximately \$2.06 billion of proceeds from our borrowings under the senior credit facilities that we will enter into prior to the Spin-Off and of the proceeds of the senior notes that we will issue prior to the Spin-Off. The remainder of these borrowings and proceeds will be used to fund transaction fees and expenses and to fund the Purging Distribution. See "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off."

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Information in this Prospectus with respect to the assets and liabilities of the parties following the separation is presented based on the allocation of such assets and liabilities pursuant to the Separation and Distribution Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires. Certain of the liabilities and obligations to be assumed by one party or for which one party will have an indemnification obligation under the Separation and Distribution Agreement and the other transaction agreements relating to the separation are, and following the separation may continue to be, the legal or contractual liabilities or obligations of the other party. Each party that continues to be subject to such legal or contractual liability or obligation will rely on the applicable party that assumed the liability or obligation or the applicable party that undertook an indemnification obligation with respect to the liability or obligation, as applicable, under the Separation and Distribution Agreement to satisfy the performance and payment obligations or indemnification obligations with respect to such legal or contractual liability or obligation.

Conditions to the Separation and Distribution

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide that the separation and the distribution are subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Penn's board of directors in its sole discretion) of certain conditions. These conditions are described under "The Separation Conditions to the Spin-Off." The Penn board of directors has reserved the right, in its sole discretion, to amend, modify or abandon the Spin-Off and the related transactions at any time prior to the distribution date. This means Penn may cancel or delay the planned distribution of common stock of GLPI if at any time the board of directors of Penn determines that the distribution of such common stock is not in the best interests of Penn. If Penn's board of directors determines to cancel the Spin-Off, shareholders of Penn will not receive any distribution of GLPI common stock and Penn will be under no obligation whatsoever to its shareholders to distribute such shares.

The Distribution

As described elsewhere in this document, the Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide that each holder of Penn common shares will receive a pro rata distribution of one share of GLPI common stock per share of Penn common stock. In addition, each holder of record of Penn Series C preferred stock will receive a pro rata distribution of one share of GLPI common stock for every 1/1,000th of a share of Penn Series C preferred stock. Peter M. Carlino and a related trust will exchange shares of Penn common stock for shares of GLPI common stock prior to the Spin-Off and Mr. Carlino will also exchange options to acquire Penn common stock for options to acquire GLPI common stock following the Spin-Off, as described under "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Agreements with Certain Shareholders in Connection with the Spin-Off Peter M. Carlino."

Intellectual Property Matters

Under and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Penn will grant GLPI a perpetual non-exclusive license to use the "Hollywood" trade name, trade dress and other intellectual property only in connection with the operation of the TRS Properties. The license will be royalty-free for two years, after which GLPI will pay Penn a royalty reflecting the fair market value of the license.

Releases

Except as otherwise provided in the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any other transaction agreements, each party will release and forever discharge the other party and its respective subsidiaries and affiliates from all liabilities existing or arising from any acts or events occurring or failing to occur or alleged to have occurred or to have failed to occur or any conditions existing or alleged to have existed on or before the separation from Penn. The releases will not extend to or

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amend obligations or liabilities under any agreements between the parties that remain in effect following the separation.

Indemnification

In addition, the Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide for cross-indemnities principally designed to place financial responsibility for the obligations and liabilities of our business with us and financial responsibility for the obligations and liabilities of Penn's business with Penn. Specifically, each party will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other party, its affiliates and subsidiaries and its officers, directors, employees and agents (each, the "Indemnified Parties") for any losses arising out of or otherwise in connection with the liabilities that each such party assumed or retained pursuant to the Separation and Distribution Agreement and the other transaction agreements. In addition, GLPI will indemnify the Indemnified Parties of Penn and each person, if any, who controls Penn, its affiliates or subsidiaries within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act from and against any and all liabilities arising out of a disclosure or an omission with respect to this Registration Statement.

Insurance

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide for the allocation between the parties of rights and obligations under existing insurance policies with respect to occurrences prior to the distribution and sets forth procedures for the administration of insured claims. In addition, the Separation and Distribution Agreement will allocate between the parties the right to proceeds and the obligation to incur certain deductibles and/or self-insured retentions under certain insurance policies.

Further Assurances

In addition to the actions specifically provided for in the Separation and Distribution Agreement, except as otherwise set forth therein or in any other transaction document, both GLPI and Penn will agree in the Separation and Distribution Agreement to use commercially reasonable efforts, prior to, on and after the distribution date, to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable laws, regulations and agreements to consummate and to make effective the transactions contemplated by the Separation and Distribution Agreement and the other transaction documents.

Dispute Resolution

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will contain provisions that govern, except as otherwise provided in the Master Lease, the resolution of disputes, controversies or claims that may arise between GLPI and Penn related to the Spin-Off. These provisions will contemplate that either GLPI or Penn may submit the dispute, controversy or claim to binding alternative dispute resolution, subject to the provisions of the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

Termination

The Separation and Distribution Agreement will provide that it may be terminated and the separation and distribution may be modified or abandoned at any time prior to the distribution date in the sole discretion of Penn without the approval of any other person. In the event of a termination of the Separation and Distribution Agreement, no party, nor any of its directors, officers, or employees, will have any liability of any kind to the other party. After the distribution date, the Separation and Distribution Agreement may not be terminated except by an agreement in writing signed by both Penn and GLPI.

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Other Matters

Other matters governed by the Separation and Distribution Agreement will include access to financial and other information and confidentiality.

The Master Lease

Penn Tenant, LLC, a subsidiary of Penn ("Tenant"), will enter into the Master Lease with GLP Capital, L.P., a subsidiary of GLPI through which GLPI will own substantially all of its assets ("Lessor"), pursuant to which Tenant will lease 19 facilities that will be owned by GLP Capital, L.P. following the Spin-Off. The obligations of the Tenant under the Master Lease will be guaranteed by Penn and by all Penn subsidiaries that will occupy and operate the facilities leased under the Master Lease, or that own a gaming license, other license or other material asset necessary to operate any portion of the facilities. A default by Penn or its subsidiaries with regard to any facility will cause a default with regard to the entire portfolio.

Penn endeavored to have the Master Lease reflect customary, arm's-length commercial terms and conditions. In particular, to determine the rent payable to GLPI under the Master Lease, Penn and its advisors conducted a valuation of the property to be acquired by GLPI and, after reviewing the rent terms under the comparable lease arrangements, and considering factors specific to the properties being leased, fixed the rental payments at amounts intended to represent fair value. However, the terms summarized below have been, and the complete Master Lease will have been, negotiated in the context of the Separation while we are still a wholly owned subsidiary of Penn. Accordingly, during the period in which the terms of the Master Lease have been and will be negotiated, we have not had and will not have had an independent board of directors or a management team independent of Penn. As a result, although the Master Lease is generally intended to reflect arms'-length terms, the terms of the Master Lease, including the terms summarized below, may not reflect terms that would have resulted from arm's-length negotiations between unaffiliated third parties. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the terms of the Master Lease will be as favorable for GLPI as would have resulted from negotiations with one or more unrelated third parties.

The following description of the Master Lease does not purport to be complete but contains a summary of certain material provisions of the Master Lease.

Term and Renewals

The Master Lease will provide for the lease of land, buildings, structures and other improvements on the land, easements and similar appurtenances to the land and improvements relating to the operation of the leased properties.

The Master Lease will provide for an initial term of 15 years with no purchase option. At the option of the Tenant, the Master Lease may be extended for up to four five-year renewal terms beyond the initial term, on the same terms and conditions. If the Tenant elects to renew the term of the Master Lease, the renewal will be effective as to all, but not less than all, of the leased property then subject to the Master Lease, provided that each renewal option shall only be exercisable with respect to any of the barge-based facilities i.e., facilities where barges serve as foundations upon which buildings are constructed to serve as gaming or related facilities or serve ancillary purposes such as access platforms or shear barges to protect a gaming facility from floating debris following an independent third party expert's review of the total useful life of the applicable barged-based facility measured from the beginning of the initial term. If the exercise of any renewal term would cause the aggregate term to exceed 80% of the estimated useful life of any facility, such facility shall be included in such five-year renewal only for the period of time that is within 80% of the estimated useful life of such facility. We believe that each of the barge-based facilities that Penn will transfer to us have a sufficient amount of time remaining in its useful life that this final five-year renewal term would not cause the aggregate term to exceed 80% of the estimated useful life of any such facility, with the possible exception of the

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property located at the Argosy Casino Alton. However, we believe that we could extend the useful life of the Alton property, by engaging in renovations or redevelopment, such that it would be subject to the full final five-year renewal term as well. In the event that a barge-based facility is not included in all or any portion of the final five-year renewal term, such property shall cease to be subject to the Master Lease at the end of such partial period and will no longer be occupied by Tenant absent the entry by GLPI and Tenant into a new lease (which lease could govern such property individually or apply to a group of properties, subject to the agreement of GLPI and Tenant).

Tenant will not have the ability to terminate its obligations under the Master Lease prior to its expiration without the Lessor's consent. If the Master Lease is terminated prior to its expiration other than with Lessor's consent, the Tenant may be liable for damages and incur charges such as continued payment of rent through the end of the lease term and maintenance costs for the property. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Business following the Spin-Off."

Rental Amounts and Escalators

The Master Lease is commonly known as a triple-net lease. Accordingly, in addition to rent, the Tenant will be required to pay the following: (1) all facility maintenance, (2) all insurance required in connection with the leased properties and the business conducted on the leased properties, (3) taxes levied on or with respect to the leased properties (other than taxes on the income of the Lessor) and (4) all utilities and other services necessary or appropriate for the leased properties and the business conducted on the leased properties.

Under the Master Lease, it is anticipated that the initial annual aggregate rent payable by Tenant will be approximately \$425.9 million. Penn will make the rent payment in monthly installments. The rent will be comprised of "Base Rent" and "Percentage Rent" components which are described below.

Base Rent

Fixed amount for duration of lease. This amount will be:

- (i) a fixed component equal to \$242.0 million during the first year of the Master Lease, and thereafter escalated annually by 2%, subject to a cap that would cause the preceding year's adjusted revenue to rent ratio (as it will be defined in the Master Lease) for the properties in the aggregate not to fall below 1.8:1 ("Building Base Rent"); plus
- (ii) an additional fixed component equal to \$90.5 million ("Land Base Rent").

We currently expect the revenue to rent ratio for 2014 to exceed 1.8:1. As a result, if the Spin-Off occurs prior to January 1, 2014, the Building Base Rent would increase by 2% in 2015.

Percentage Rent

A variable percentage rent component that will be calculated as follows and is expected to equal \$93.4 million during the first year of the Master Lease:

- (iii) *Percentage Rent (other than Columbus and Toledo Facilities):* Fixed amount for the first 5 years. An adjustment will be recorded every five years to establish a new fixed amount for the next five-year period based on the average actual net revenues of Penn from the Facilities (other than the Columbus and Toledo Facilities) during the five year period then ended (and calculated by multiplying 4% by the excess (if any) of (i) the average net revenues for the trailing five-year period over (ii) 50% of the 2013 projected net revenues).
- (iv) *Percentage Rent (Columbus and Toledo Facilities):* Variable amount, determined monthly, based on 20% of the excess of Penn's actual net revenues from the Columbus and Toledo Facilities of the month then ended over 50% of $1/12$ of the 2013 projected net revenues.

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Maintenance and Capital Improvements

The Tenant will be required