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(54) GAMING SYSTEM HAVING A COMBINED GAMING MACHINE DISPLAY AND SPACER DISPLAYS FOR A SHARED SYMBOL DISPLAY

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a gaming system having a combined gaming machine display and spacer displays for a shared symbol display, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

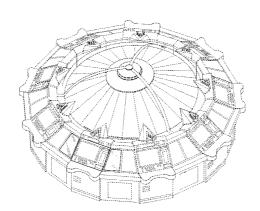
This application relates to the following co-pending commonly owned patent applications: "Gaming System Shared Symbol Display and Protective Dome," Ser. No. 29/253, 516; "Gaming System Dome for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,510; "Gaming System Dome for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,514; "Gaming System Dome Cap for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253, 518; "Gaming System Dome Cap for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,561; "Gaming System Indicators for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,508; "Gaming System Light Candle and Indicator for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,513; "Gaming System Indicator for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,511; "Gaming System Light Candle," Ser. No. 29/253,512; "Gaming System Light Candle," Ser. No. 29/253,517; and "Gaming System Spacer Assembly for a Shared Symbol Display," Ser. No. 29/253,515.

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a gaming machine display and spacer displays of the gaming system of our new design, that portion shown in phantom is not part of the design sought to be patented and is provided for environmental purposes only.

FIG. **2** is a top plan view of the gaming machine display and spacer displays of the gaming system of our new design illustrated in FIG. **1**, that portion shown in phantom is not part of the design sought to be patented and is provided for environmental purposes only; and,

FIG. 3 is an elevated front view of the gaming machine display and spacer displays of the gaming system of our new design illustrated in FIG. 1, that portion shown in phantom is not part of the design sought to be patented and is provided for environmental purposes only.

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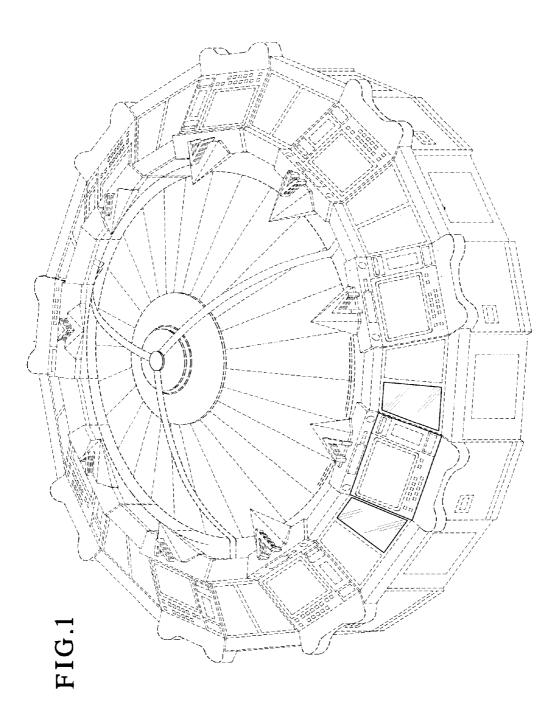


FIG.2

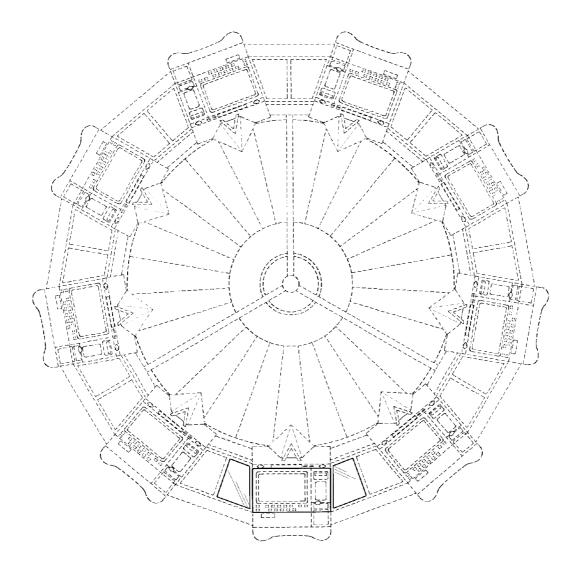


FIG.3

