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February 20, 2020

The Honorable Tara Sweeney
Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240
MS-4141-MIB

Dear Assistant Secretary Sweeney:

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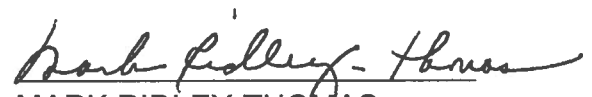
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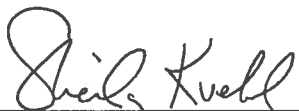
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The Honorable Nanette Barragán
U.S. House of Representatives
1030 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Karen Bass
U.S. House of Representatives
2059 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Julia Brownley
U.S. House of Representatives
2262 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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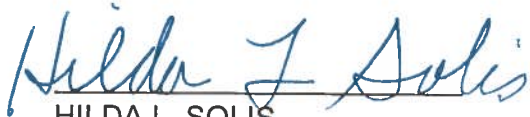
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The Honorable Tony Cárdenas
U.S. House of Representatives
2438 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives
2423 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives
431 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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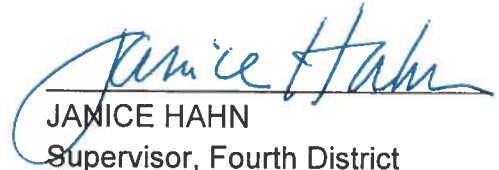
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United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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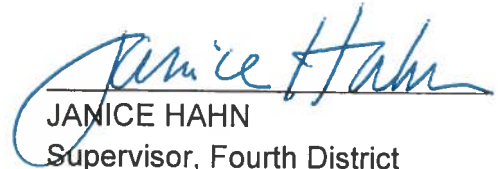
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U.S. House of Representatives
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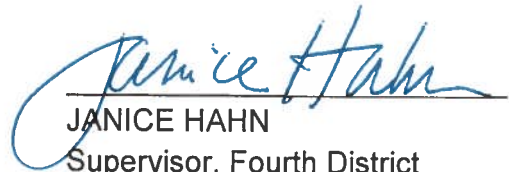
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The Honorable Kamala Harris
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Ted Lieu
U.S. House of Representatives
403 Cannon House Office Building
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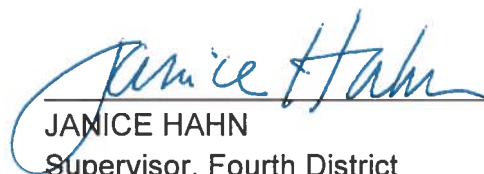
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February 20, 2020

The Honorable Grace F. Napolitano
U.S. House of Representatives
1610 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Napolitano:

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The Honorable Lucille Roybal-Allard
U.S. House of Representatives
2083 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Roybal-Allard:

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The Honorable Linda Sánchez
U.S. House of Representatives
2329 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Sánchez:

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The Honorable Adam Schiff
U.S. House of Representatives
2269 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Schiff:

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The Honorable Brad Sherman
U.S. House of Representatives
2181 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Sherman:

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The Honorable Norma Torres
U.S. House of Representatives
2444 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Maxine Waters
U.S. House of Representatives
2221 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Waters:

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