

**HOWARD A. ZUCKER, M.D., J.D.**Commissioner

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January 31, 2020

American Indian Community House Ben Geboe Interim Executive Director 39 Eldridge Street, 4th Floor New York, NY 10002

Dear: Mr. Geboe:

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Tuscarora Indian Nation Chief Leo Henry, Clerk 2006 Mount Hope Road Lewiston, NY 14092

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St. Regis Mohawk Tribe Chief Beverly Cook 412 State Route 37 Akwesasne, NY 13655

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Bryan Polite Council of Trustees Chairman Shinnecock Indian Nation Tribal Office P.O. Box 5006 Southampton, NY 11969-5006

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Tonawanda Seneca Indian Nation Chief Roger Hill, Council Chairman Administration Office 7027 Meadville Road Basom, NY 14013

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Cayuga Nation Mr. Clint Halftown Nation Representative P.O. Box 803 Seneca Falls, NY 13148

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Eugene E. Cuffee II Sachem Shinnecock Indian Nation Tribal Office P.O. Box 5006 Southampton, NY 11969-5006

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Unkechaug Indian Territory Latasha Austin Keeper of Records P.O. 86 Mastic, NY 11950

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Seneca Nation of Indians Maurice A. John Sr. President P.O. Box 231 Salamanca, NY 14779

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Mr. Ray Halbritter Nation Representative Oneida Indian Nation 528 Patrick Road Verona, NY 13478

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Hemlock Road, Box 319-B
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