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SUBJECT: 2022 Tribal Nations Summit

Dear Tribal Leader:

Last week, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) participated in the 2022 White House Tribal Nations Summit. At the event, HUD Deputy Secretary Adrianne Todman and I were joined by hundreds of Tribal leaders, Cabinet Secretaries, Ambassador Susan Rice, and President Biden. Together, we discussed how the Biden-Harris Administration is working to deliver on its goal to serve Tribal communities. If you have not already done so, I would recommend that you read The White House Tribal Nations Summit Progress Report, which includes a summary of the actions taken by the Federal Government in 2022 to better support Tribal Nations.

In her remarks to Tribal leaders, Deputy Secretary Todman announced several significant actions HUD is taking to strengthen its Government-to-Government relationship with Tribal governments and expand access to housing resources across Indian Country. These actions included:

- Establishing HUD's <u>Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee</u>;
- Publishing new <u>Section 184 Proposed Regulations</u>, which will modernize the program and provide more homeownership opportunities in Indian Country;
- Implementing a new <u>Section 184 Skilled Workers demonstration</u>, which will support Tribes in financing the construction of rental housing for skilled workers in Tribal communities;
- Launching an interagency initiative (in partnership with the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Health and Human Services) to increase access to care and services for American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness in urban areas.

Through these actions, HUD is working to expand existing programs and further strengthen our Nation-to-Nation relationship with and support of Tribes across Indian Country.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration in the effective delivery of HUD's programs.

Sincerely,

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