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George Sigounas, Administrator Health Resources & Services Administration Department of Health and Human Services 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Administrator Sigounas:

I am writing in support of the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe's grant application through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

The Tribe is seeking a Health Center Program grant to conduct a feasibility study on needed improvements and new construction for the existing Las Vegas Paiute Tribe Health and Human Services Facility located in Nevada's first congressional district.

The clinic, which was constructed in 2002, provides much needed medical, dental, optical, and behavioral health outpatient services to the Las Vegas Paiute tribe as well as to many members of other tribes across Nevada. Unfortunately, after 16 years of service, the clinic has outgrown its capacity to provide quality treatment to the expanding number of patients. The tribe has seen a 60 percent increase in the number of ambulatory visits to the facility in the past decade alone - from 15,742 visits in 2007 to 25,475 in 2017.

Acknowledging this significant increase in patients and the age of the facility, I fully support an assessment of improvements needed to ensure the clinic can continue to provide vital health care services to this population. I am confident that a review of the merits of the Paiute Tribe's application will confirm the need for this funding.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Catherine Chrobak in my Congressional office in Washington, D.C., at 202-225-5965.

Sincerely,

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