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Tina Kotek, Governor

Housing and Community Services

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Dear Anne Cook,

I hope this letter finds you in good spirits. I am writing to express our heartfelt gratitude to you and the Coquille Indian Tribe for your work with us on the By and For Initiative-Native American Tribes of Oregon (BAFI-NATO) program, specifically aimed at addressing homelessness services within your communities.

Your tribe's active involvement and dedicated efforts have been pivotal in the success of this initiative, which has already shown a positive impact on homelessness among tribes in Oregon. Our collaborative effort has focused on honoring tribal sovereignty and lowering barriers to resources. The funding awarded to your tribe through the BAFI-NATO program has not only provided crucial resources but has also shown us the diverse array of approaches each tribe takes in addressing homelessness.

We are deeply appreciative of your tribe's commitment to this cause and your willingness to collaborate with us in tackling such a pressing issue. Your insights, expertise, and most importantly, your time, have been invaluable in guiding the direction of the program. They ensure that the services provided are responsive to the needs of your members and their families. Through the BAFI-NATO program, we have seen our relationship grow, and by working together, we have been able to make meaningful strides towards our shared goal of providing safe and stable housing for all members of your tribal community.

As we celebrate the successes achieved through our collective efforts, we recognize none of it would have been possible without you. Your tribe's contributions have been instrumental in shaping the outcomes of the program and advancing our shared mission of creating a more equitable and inclusive society.

On behalf of OHCS, I extend our sincerest appreciation and deepest gratitude to you and the Coquille Indian Tribe. Your partnership and collaboration have been invaluable assets in our efforts to address homelessness and improve the wellbeing of the Federally recognized tribes of Oregon.

We look forward to continuing our partnership and building upon the progress made through the BAFI-NATO program. Together, we can make a lasting and positive impact on the lives of those in need. Thank you once again for your unwavering support and commitment to this important cause.

With warm regards and deepest appreciation,

Director Andrea Bell

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