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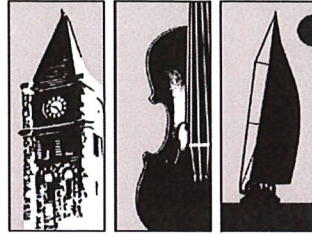
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August 31, 2022

The Honorable Deb Haaland
Secretary of the Interior
U.S. Department of Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Haaland:

On behalf of the City of Muskegon, Michigan, I write in support of the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians (GRBOI) (Petitioner #146) who have been on the "active consideration" list for nearly nine years. The City supports the efforts of GRBOI to seek Federal recognition from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

Federal recognition will allow the GRBOI to become eligible for critical funding that will support key services such as tuition assistance, healthcare services, housing resources and other with vitally important federal program opportunities for its tribal members.

The City of Muskegon requests that the BIA, through the Office of Federal Acknowledgement (OFA), issue its proposed findings for the GRBOI by the latest extension date in October 2022.

This letter is intended to serve as an expressed position on the GRBOI's petition for Federal recognition and not on potential development activities undertaken by the GRBOI which may occur in the future as a result of any federal determination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth D. Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kenneth D. Johnson
Mayor
City of Muskegon