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WASHINGTON – Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk issued the following statement today on the passing of Senator Edward M. Kennedy:

“Indian Country, as indeed all Americans, has lost a great friend in the passing of Senator Kennedy. His dedication to ensuring the well-being of every member of our great nation remains the hallmark of the legislation he championed for over 40 years in the Congress. His support for improving the lives and futures of the American Indian and Alaska Native people, particularly through education and health care, will be remembered warmly by all who knew him. He will be sorely missed, and our thoughts and prayers go out to the Kennedy family.”