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Honorable LeAnn Walker-Grant
Chairperson
Table Mountain Rancheria
23736 Sky Harbour Road
Friant, California 93626

Dear Chairman Walker-Grant:

We have completed our review of the Tribal-State Compact (Compact) between the Table Mountain Rancheria (Tribe) and the State of California, executed on July 13, 1998. The Compact was signed by a representative of the State of California and Mr. Vern Castro on behalf of the Table Mountain Rancheria. We have verified that Mr. Castro is not the duly-recognized tribal official authorized to act on behalf of the Tribe.

It is our position that we can only approve compacts between Indian tribes and states that have been entered into by the appropriate state and tribal officials. In this instance, the Sacramento Area Director, by letter dated October 1, 1998, upheld the Central California Agency Acting Superintendent's April 24, 1998, decision to recognize the recall actions of January and March 1998, recognizing Ms. LeAnn Walker-Grant as Tribal Chairperson. Therefore, it is inappropriate for us to approve the Compact without Chairperson Walker-Grant's signature.

For the foregoing reason, this Compact is hereby disapproved. We regret that our decision could not be more favorable at this time.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Gover

Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Identical Letter Sent To: Honorable Pete Wilson
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