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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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**APR 19 2022**

The Honorable Janet Alkire  
Chairwoman, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe  
1 Standing Rock Avenue  
Fort Yates, North Dakota 58538

Dear Chairwoman Alkire:

On March 7, 2022, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of North and South Dakota (Tribe) and the State of South Dakota (State) submitted an Amendment to Gaming Compact between the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota (Amendment), providing for the regulation of class III gaming activities by the Tribe. The Amendment authorizes the Tribe to operate sports wagering as an additional form of gaming within the Standing Rock Reservation provided the Tribe meets certain technical requirements.

We completed our review of the Amendment and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), any other provision of Federal law that does not relate to jurisdiction over gaming on Indian lands, or the trust obligations of the United States to Indians. 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(B). Therefore, pursuant to my delegated authority and Section 11 of IGRA, I approve the Amendment. 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A). The Amendment takes effect when the notice of this approval is published in the *Federal Register*. 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B).

A similar letter is being sent to Honorable Kristi Noem, Governor, State of South Dakota.

Sincerely,

Wizipan Garriott  
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs  
Exercising by delegation the authority of the  
Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Enclosure

No gaming device or sports wagering system shall be operated on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation unless:


1. The gaming device is purchased, leased or acquired from a manufacturer or distributor licensed to sell, lease or distribute gaming devices by the State, or the sports wagering system is purchased, leased, or acquired from a sports wagering service provider licensed as a sports wagering services provider by the State, pursuant to SDCL ch. 42-7B and ARSD 20:18, and
2. The gaming device, or sports wagering system or a prototype thereof, has been tested, approved and certified by a gaming test laboratory as meeting the requirements and standards of this Compact For purposes of this Compact, a gaming test laboratory shall be a laboratory agreed to and designated in writing by the South Dakota Gaming Commission and the Tribal Gaming Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed and effective as of the date below.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

August 10, 2021  
Date

By:

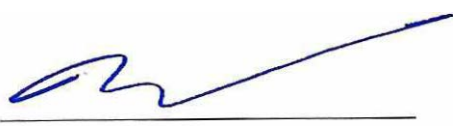
  
Governor Kristi Noem

STANDING ROCK SIOUX TRIBE

1-28-2022  
Date

By:

  
Chairman Mike Faith



Date: APR 19 2022

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