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Subject: Butte Tribe of Bayou Bourbeaux petition #402

To Whom it May Concern:

Please accept this letter showing my full support for the petition for federal acknowledgment submitted by the Butte Tribe of Bayou Bourbeaux. As the Clerk of Court for Natchitoches Parish, I am responsible for the public records that include much of the historical records of the tribe. I have proudly helped them search for these historical documents that mean so much to them. They have a great historical and pre-historic heritage that the tribe members and the citizens of Natchitoches Parish are proud of learning about.

I have enjoyed attending tribal meetings with Chief Rodger Collum and his many active Butte Tribe members. The programs that the Chief and tribal leaders have put on are really quite remarkable. From the addiction recovery program, to the help provided by the operation of the tribal gardens and their public outreach at parades and the presentation at the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Museum, they have proved to be tireless workers that benefit the tribe and the region.

If I can be of any help or if you have questions that I can assist with, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

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