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February 7, 2000

The Honorable Sally Smith, Chairwoman
National Indian Health Board
1385 S. Colorado Blvd., Suite A-707
Denver, Colorado 80222

Dear Chairwoman Smith:

The Committee on Indian Affairs has scheduled an oversight hearing on the President's Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2001 for Indian Programs for Wednesday, February 23, 2000 beginning at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will be held in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building. I am writing to invite you to present testimony to the Committee at that time.

In the interest of time, and to allow Committee members an opportunity to pose questions to you and other witnesses, I would ask that you summarize your oral testimony and confine your remarks to no more than five minutes. Your written statement may be of any length you deem appropriate and will appear in its entirety in the final hearing record.

In accordance with the Rules of the Congress, as revised by the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970, copies of witnesses' prepared statements must be made available prior to their appearance. Accordingly, the Committee requests that you provide seventy-five (75) copies of your written statement (as well as an electronic version on computer disk or e-mail in WordPerfect format to: testimony@indian.senate.gov) to the Indian Affairs Committee staff at least 72 hours in advance of the hearing to allow sufficient time for staff review and evaluation of your statement. Prepared statements and supplemental materials provided for the record should be of photographic quality for reproduction.

Please promptly notify the Committee Clerk, Eleanor McComber, at 202/ 224-2251 to confirm your attendance and Paul Moorehead, Staff Director for questions regarding the subject of the hearing. The Committee on Indian Affairs looks forward to your participation in this important hearing.

Sincerely,


Ben Nighthorse Campbell
Chairman

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