



Samish Indian Nation

OF WASHINGTON

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Representative Deb Haaland
1237 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Haaland:

Samish Indian Nation is pleased to offer support for your legislative proposal to eventually implement the recommendations to ensure progress toward fulfilling the treaty and trust obligations outlined in the United States Commission on Civil Rights' *Broken Promises: Continuing Federal Funding Shortfall for Native Americans* report of 12-20-2018.

Samish Tribal Council has directed administrative staff to review the report and identify if specific recommendations should also be submitted to better frame your proposed legislation. We are pleased to express support for this proposal and acknowledge your leadership in addressing long standing inequities faced by native communities and look forward to ongoing opportunities to partner.

Please feel free to reach out for more information about our support of your efforts to help Indian Country.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Wooten
Chairman