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Chairwoman Brittney Miller

Interim Committee on Reapportionment and Redistricting
401 S Carson St
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Subject: Nevadans Count - Public Input Meeting on Tribal Land

Dear Chairwoman Miller and Committee Members:

The Native Voters Alliance - Nevada requests that a community input meeting on redistricting must be held in a Tribal community.

Indigenous people in Nevada increased by over 89% over the last decade. This was the third-largest percent increase. Further, Mineral County has the highest percentage of indigenous residents, with one in five identifying as indigenous. To that end, it is imperative to hold a meeting at Walker River Paiute Reservation.

The needs of our communities can not be lumped in with other rural communities. Our state prides itself on a diverse legislature. However, we cannot claim full diversity with our legislature lacking the "I" in the BIPOC¹ acronym. I've seen firsthand that Tribal communities are being left out of the conversation when it comes to redistricting. To fully represent every Nevadan, there needs to be input from our communities.

Thank you for your consideration,

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¹ Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC)