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The Honorable John Yellow Bird Steele President, Oglala Sioux Tribe P.O. Box 2070 Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770

Dear President Steele:

Congratulations to you and the other newly elected tribal council members, as indicated by the certified election results forwarded to us from the Oglala Sloux Tribe.

Please consider this letter a notice of receipt by the BIA Great Plains Regional Office, of Oglala Sioux Tribal Resolution No. OST-06-106 dated December 5, 2006, in which the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council voted 16 for, 0 opposed, and 0 not voting, to certify the Primary Election and General Election results occurring on October 18, 2006, and November 28, 2006, respectively.

As you are aware, the complexity of tribal affairs is very challenging and Policies affecting Indian Tribes are in a constant state of revision. I am confident that the Tribal Council's combined years of experience will assist the Oglala Sioux Tribe, the Tribal Council, and your people to meet these challenges. It is important that the Council provide guidance and direction in a manner that will be of benefit to all members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

The doors to my office are always open, so feel free to call or visit anytime. We in the Great Plains Regional Office look forward to working with you and the Council in meeting the objectives for advancement of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

Sincerely.

[!] Regional Director

cc: Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Deputy Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Field Operations Deputy Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Tribal Services

Superintendent, Pine Ridge Agency

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