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The Honorable Patty Murray
United States Senate
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Maria Cantwell
United States Senate
511 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cantwell and Senator Murray:

I write in strong support of the Puyallup Tribe's effort to place the land it has purchased on Ruston Way in Tacoma into federal trust status.

Over the last 30 years, the Puyallup Tribe has worked closely with the County on critical issues including law enforcement, economic development, community development, and environmental restoration. The Tribe's acquisition of these two properties and the plans to maintain the businesses in this area is just another step in the Puyallup Tribe's goals of developing its economic base and enhancing the wellbeing of its members.

The County supports these efforts and looks forward to working closely with the Puyallup Tribe as it furthers these goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bruce F. Dammeier", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bruce F. Dammeier
Pierce County Executive