

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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July 23, 2019

U.S. Department of Education Office of Indian Education

RE: Blue Lake Rancheria FY 19 STEP Development Grant from the US Department of Education

Dear Grant Committee:

On behalf of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, I am writing in support of the STEP Development Grant proposal being submitted by the Blue Lake Rancheria to the U.S. Department of Education.

The purpose of the STEP Development Grant is to promote Tribal self-determination in education, to improve the academic achievement of Indian children and youth, to promote coordination and collaboration of Tribal Education Agencies (TEAs) with State Education Agencies (SEAs) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to meet the unique educational and culturally related academic needs of Indian students.

The Blue Lake Rancheria has made education its number one priority understanding that the people of the Tribe, and other tribes in the region, are valuable and important resources.

In conclusion, we fully support the Blue Lake Rancheria's efforts to secure a STEP Development grant. Thank you.

Sincerely. 0

Rex Bohn, Chair Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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cc: Alison Robbins, Program Director
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