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The Alyce Spotted Bear & Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children

Hearing: Great Plains and Midwest Regional Hearing Media Advisory
held at the United Tribes Technical College
Friday, June 24, 2022, at approximately 4:15 pm

These are the written recommendations submitted by Lorraine Davis, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Native Community Development, Inc. (dba NATIVE, Inc.). Mrs. Davis is a member of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate and has been involved in this work since its incorporation of 2012.

- (1) To develop and implement federal policy and funding through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services with cultural exemptions for only tribes, tribal organizations and Native community-based organizations serving urban Indians to develop culturally intrinsic promising practices and evidence-based programs to help our children and families heal from historical, intergenerational, and current traumas.
- (2) To develop and implement federal policy and funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development with cultural exemptions for only tribes, tribal organizations and Native community-based organizations serving urban Indians to design and implement culturally responsive permanent supportive housing models to serve Tribal/Native families.
- (3) To develop and implement federal policy and funding through the U.S. Department of Education with cultural exemptions for only tribes, tribal organizations and Native community-based organizations serving urban Indians to design Indian educational curriculum for Native students and their families.
- (4) To develop and implement federal policy and funding through the U.S. Department of Education with cultural exemptions for only Native community-based organizations serving urban Indian students to build a community center for public schools within metropolitan areas to partner with to ensure Native students and families have a place to increase cultural identity and positive youth development.

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Pidamiya ye ("Thank you"),

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