The Honorable Don Young Chairman Attention: Chris Fluhr Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs

The Honorable Dan Boren Ranking Member Attention: Jennifer Romero Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs

Dear Chairman Young and Ranking Member Boren:

As President of [Name of Group/Organization/Company] – [Brief Description] - I urge you to promptly schedule a legislative hearing on H.R. 2362, "The Indian Tribal Trade and Investment Act of 2011," introduced by Rep. Tom Cole on June 24, 2011.

As you are well aware, Native American communities continue to struggle with high unemployment and poverty, and we believe the demonstration project authorized by H.R. 2362 could stimulate increased investment and economic activity in tribal communities.

This legislation holds great promise to reform some of the current legal barriers that inhibit tribal economic development. Moreover, H.R. 2362 will help Tribes, Turkish companies and the U.S. government alike. It gives Tribes the tools they need to ensure economic development and implement improved standards of living for their members. It also enables the U.S. government to strengthen economic ties with the Republic of Turkey while relying on private activity to stimulate tribal economies.

In these tough economic times, American Indians and Alaska Natives need innovative ideas that can help reduce our dependency on the U.S. government. To that end, we urge you to schedule a legislative hearing on H.R. 2362 as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Name Title Organization