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Ms. Margaret Formby
Executive Director
National Cowgirl Hall of Fame
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Dear Ms. Formby:

This is to respond to your July 5, 1994 letter and clarify my letter declining to be inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame.

First, I apologize if my letter sounded terse. That was not my intent. It was my intent to give you several months advance notice of my decision not to be inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame.

Secondly, I could not be inducted into the Hall in 1993 because I had just been released from a month long hospital stay. The 1994 induction was set for June 18, 1994 which was on my schedule. It has now been moved to November, 1994, a time when I cannot attend and do not wish to have a representative or proxy to represent me.

I am sorry if this has created any inconvenience for anyone at the Hall of Fame. I do hope the fact that the event is five months away will afford you the opportunity to offer this honor to another woman of Native American descent.

Best wishes and continued success.

Sincerely,


Wilma P. Mankiller
Principal Chief