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Dear Chairman Lorentine:

This letter and enclosed packet of material is to inform you of my nomination for the IHS Directorship. Last month, the Alaska Health Corporations and Health Board nominated me to the Clinton-Gore Transition Team. Since then, I have had to send personal material to the Political Team. Recently, the All Indian Pueblo Council of New Mexico, which represents all the pueblos in New Mexico, passed a Resolution endorsing my nomination. My home pueblo, Laguna Pueblo, is in the process of also endorsing my nomination by Resolution. The Governor of New Mexico has requested material from me. I have enclosed for your information Senator Jeff Bingaman's February 2nd letter to President Bill Clinton regarding his recommendation for me for the IHS Directorship.

I am a member of the Laguna Pueblo, NM. I was raised at Laguna where my parents were teachers at the small BIA Day School. My mother is from Laguna and my father, Miguel H. Trujillo, was from Isleta Pueblo. My father was instrumental in obtaining the right to vote for New Mexico Indians in 1949. Arizona followed a year later granting the right to vote for Arizona Indians because of the successful suit in New Mexico. I did my undergraduate, graduate and medical school training at the University of New Mexico, where I was the first Indian to graduate from UNM School of Medicine. I also did my postgraduate training in Family Practice and Internal Medicine at UNM. I then entered the IHS as a clinician at the then new Acoma-Canoncito-Laguna IHS hospital near my home at Laguna.

Since then, I have held numerous other positions in the U.S. Public Health Service nationwide and in several agencies. In addition, I obtained further clinical and administrative training at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN and at the University of Minnesota School of Public Health. I received an MPH degree in Public Health Administration and Health Policy from the UMN and completed a fellowship in Preventive Medicine at Mayo Clinic. My research emphasis there was in hospital and physician reimbursement systems (inpatient and outpatient) and severity of illness classifications. I recently worked in the Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons directing a large medical referral center for the Bureau in Rochester, MN.