Of the 24 million South Africans eligible to vote next April, 18 million have never voted before, and over half of those have minimal literacy skills. The challenge is clear: with widespread, non-partisan voter education efforts, South Africans will have the opportunity to learn not only about the importance of their new franchise, but more importantly, about the process by which they can exercise it. South Africans are looking to Americans for exceptional leadership in this historic transition. It would be even more meaningful if Native peoples were to join with South Africans in this historic effort.

I write to request that the Mashantuckett (check spelling? Pequot Nation join our efforts with a donation in the amount of \$100,000 or if you are able to do so, join our "Committee of 50" donor group as a Cabinet Member at the \$250,000 level.

After years of fighting apartheid, this effort is our one chance to help ensure South Africa's safe transition to democracy. We can all be sure that our efforts and the South African people for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilma P. Mankiller South Africa Free Elections Fund

Mary, do the exact same letter to Rick Hill, President of the National Indian Gaming Association (George B. will have address) EXCEPT CHANGE THE NEXT TO THE LAST PARAGRAPH TO:

"I write to request that either the National Indian Gaming Association or a consortium of gaming tribes contribute \$25,000 to the South Africa Free Elections Fund."

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