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Chief Wilma Mankiller
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Dear Chief Mankiller:

Thank you for your recent gift to the National Museum of the American Indian.

Your generosity -- extending beyond your charter membership -- is deeply appreciated.

Your gift brings us one step closer to our ultimate goal: to create a national museum dedicated to the lives and cultures of Native peoples of this Hemisphere.

Ours will not be an easy task. Congress has charged us with raising at least one-third of the approximately \$106 million needed to build the Museum on the Mall before federal funds will be released.

But even though we have a long way to go, we are already having a profound impact. The very fact that we are conducting a campaign -- complete with publicity, outreach and membership building -- has raised public awareness regarding Native American issues.

The support of Charter Members like you has become a great source of pride for the Museum staff and for me personally. We are truly grateful for your ongoing support.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

W. Richard West, Jr.
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Director