

July 7, 1971

Mrs. Florence Harnden
Chairman, Muckleshoot Tribal Council
Route 1, Box 431
Auburn, Washington

The Honorable Daniel Evans
Governor of the State of Washington
State Capitol
Olympia, Washington

Dear Governor Evans:

On July 1, 1971, the Tribal Council of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, at a general meeting, voted to request and petition the Governor of the State of Washington and the Secretary of the Interior of the United States to return jurisdiction over the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation from the State of Washington to the United States and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe.

The action was taken only after months of investigation, discussion, and explanation by and between tribal members, lawyers, and Bureau of Indian Affairs officials. A vote of and petition by members of the General Council and the Muckleshoot Indian Community then directed the Council to take this action.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

(Mrs.) Florence Harnden
Chairman, Muckleshoot Tribal Council

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