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Dr. Sherry Allison, President
Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institution
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Dear President Allison:

As Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institution (SIPI) moves toward re-acquiring full accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission, the New Mexico Association of Community Colleges (NMACC) would like to state its full support of SIPI during this process.

NMACC's member institutions are willing to recognize the efforts of SIPI students through the statewide articulation agreement. NMACC recognizes the importance of SIPI as a national Indian post-secondary institution to our state, and believes Native Americans deserve full access to all higher education opportunities.

We are hopeful and confident that SIPI will be successful in the accreditation process. Please keep me apprised of the status of SIPI's accreditation status, and let me know if NMACC can be of assistance during this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cedric D. Page". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'C'.

Dr. Cedric Page
NMACC President

cc: Dr. Viola Florez, Secretary of Higher Education
New Mexico Higher Education Department