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John L. Nau, III
Chairman
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Nau:

The Pueblo de San Ildefonso appreciates the opportunity to consult and comment upon the consideration of a new Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) policy on the treatment of human remains. We are supportive of revising the current policy and support the preliminary set of principles which will guide the development of a new policy.

The Pueblo looks forward to continued consultation on this matter, however we are concerned that the one day meetings scheduled at various locations will not provide the opportunity for true Government-to-Government consultation. It is our fervent belief that true consultation must occur on a one to one basis with face to face meetings so that the Tribe's unique concerns can be addressed.

I am confident that you will provide the Pueblo with such opportunities, if we so desire. Again thank you for initiating the consultation process.

Sincerely,


Dale Martinez
Governor

cc: Neil Weber, Director, Dept. of Environmental and Cultural Preservation