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bcc Congressman AuCoin

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September 1, 1983

The Honorable Mark O. Hatfield
United States Senate
322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatfield:

Members of the Tribal Council met with the Honorable Les AuCoin in Grand Ronde, August 29, 1983. At this meeting, Representative AuCoin designated September 13, 1983 as the date of introduction of the Grand Ronde Restoration bill. Ten of the twenty-nine years as a terminated Tribe have been devoted to regaining our federal status as an Indian Tribe once again. I cannot begin to tell you of the feelings within the hearts of the people who have worked so laboriously, to now see the beginning of reality for the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

We are fully aware that an introduction does not guarantee successful passage of our bill. We also firmly believe our case is now fully prepared to take to Congress. With this thought in mind, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde respectively request that you consider introducing our bill in the United States Senate simultaneously to introduction in the House September 13, 1983. A Tribal representative will be in Washington, D.C. on that date to accompany Congressman AuCoin at a press conference and would feel it a great honor to have your presence and support of our Restoration bill. We have worked toward Restoration for a very long time and your assistance at this time is very important to our Tribe. Please help us to make our efforts a reality in 1983.

The leadership you have provided to America is deeply appreciated.

Thank you Senator Hatfield.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Harrison
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Tribal Vice-Chairperson

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cc Susan Long

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