Proxy Designation Form to be copied onto Tribal Letterhead and Emailed to the USDA FNS Point of Contact no later than February 15, 2024

Ms. Natalie Christopherson
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Dear Ms. Christopherson:

Under Executive Order 13175, “Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments,” and USDA Departmental Regulation 1350-002, “Tribal Consultation, Coordination, and Collaboration,” USDA aims to respect Indian Tribal self-government and sovereignty, honor Tribal treaty and other rights, and meet the responsibilities that arise from the unique legal relationship between the Federal government and Tribal governments.

I recognize that because duly elected Tribal leaders, or their designee, trigger the government-to-government relationship with the United States, formal administrative requirements under the Federal Advisory Committee Act do not apply to this meeting.¹

I am unable to attend the meeting to discuss the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations on February 16, 2024. I hereby designate:

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who holds the position of _____________________________ within the Tribe to act as my proxy for this meeting.

Sincerely,

¹ See the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA; 5 U.S.C. Appendix – Federal Advisory Committee Act; 86 Stat. 770, as amended.)