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June 27, 2012

Chairperson Margie Mejia
Lytton Rancheria
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Honorable Chairperson Mejia,

On behalf of Anthony Burnside, his children, his family and the entire Blackfeet Nation and the Montana Wyoming Tribal Leaders, I wish to extend our deepest gratitude to you for your gracious act of kindness, generosity and friendship with our sudden loss. I am sorry it has taken this long to write, however the loss of Tony was sudden and devastating. It softens the heartbreak and eases the soul a bit when someone you have never met reaches out a helping hand in time of need. Tony Burnside, not only gave his life for the defense of the United States, but also for our Blackfeet Nation. In that sacrifice, I hope our Blackfeet people and other Indian Nations can be comforted in the fact that we still have a strong tradition of Warriors throughout Indian Country.

Your act of kindness no longer comes from a stranger, but from a friend, a brother or a sister that believes in the same core values and personal dedication that Tony possessed. We can only repay your act of kindness through our prayers to the Creator for you and your family.

Our tribe, *Amskapi Pikuni*, believe that once you have passed from this life to the other, you make a journey to our sacred Sand Hills with those that have made the journey before. We have only a short time here in this life and how we define that life is how we will be remembered.

"What is life? It is the flash of a firefly in the night. It is the breath of a buffalo in the wintertime. It is the little shadow which runs across the grass and loses itself in the sunset."
~ Crowfoot, *Siksika (Blackfoot) Warrior and Orator*

We are comforted today, knowing that as Anthony made that Warrior journey, he also made a friend with the Lytton Pomo people. . We will always be grateful for your friendship for our Anthony.

With deepest thanks and gratitude,

Jesse "Jay" St. Goddard
Chairman
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Chairman Neil Peyron
Vice Chairperson Amy McDarment
Tule River Indian Nation
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Porterville, CA 93257

Honorable Chairman Peyron and Vice Chairperson Amy McDarment,

On behalf of Anthony Burnside, his children, his family and the entire Blackfeet Nation and the Montana Wyoming Tribal Leaders, I wish to extend our deepest gratitude to you for your gracious act of kindness, generosity and friendship with our sudden loss. I am sorry it has taken this long to write, however the loss of Tony was sudden and devastating. It softens the heartbreak and eases the soul a bit when someone you have never met reaches out a helping hand in time of need. Tony Burnside, not only gave his life for the defense of the United States, but also for our Blackfeet Nation. In that sacrifice, I hope our Blackfeet people and other Indian Nations can be comforted in the fact that we still have a strong tradition of Warriors throughout Indian Country.

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We are comforted today, knowing that as Anthony made that Warrior journey, he also made a friend with the people of the Tule River Nation. We will always be grateful for your friendship for our Anthony.

With deepest thanks and gratitude,

Jesse "Jay" St. Goddard
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Thomas Rodgers
Carlyle Consulting
911 Crescent Drive
Alexandria, Virginia 22302

Dear Tom,

On behalf of Anthony Burnside, his children, his family and the entire Blackfeet Nation and the Montana Wyoming Tribal Leaders, I wish to extend our deepest gratitude to you for your gracious act of kindness, generosity and friendship with our sudden loss. I am sorry it has taken this long to write, however the loss of Tony was sudden and devastating. It softens the heartbreak and eases the soul a bit when someone you have never met reaches out a helping hand in time of need. Tony Burnside, not only gave his life for the defense of the United States, but also for our Blackfeet Nation. In that sacrifice, I hope our Blackfeet people and other Indian Nations can be comforted in the fact that we still have a strong tradition of Warriors throughout Indian Country.

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We are comforted today, knowing that as Anthony made that Warrior journey, he also made a friend in Tom Rodgers, a fellow Amskapi Pikuni. We will always be grateful for your friendship for our Anthony.

With deepest thanks and gratitude,

Jesse "Jay" St. Goddard
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