## NOTICE OF TRESPASS (CEASE AND DESIST)

March 26, 2022

This notice is sent to CONNIE UHRE-GRAND GATEWAY HOTEL & ITS SUBSIDIARIES and further directed to all occupants, users, and any others of the premises located at 1721 N Lacrosse St, Rapid City, SD 57701.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Great Sioux Nation has made an investigation, and evidence shows that you are in trespass. You are in violation of the following provisions of the **Treaty with the Sioux, April 29, 1868, 15 Stat. 635** ("Treaty").

Article 16. "...no white person or persons shall be permitted to settle upon or occupy any portion of the [land north of the North Platte River or east of the summits of the Big Horn Mountains]; or without the consent of the Indians first had and obtained, to pass through the same;"

Article 2. "...[land which includes the above-described property] shall be, and the same is, set apart for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupation of the Indians herein named ...and the United States now solemnly agrees that no persons except those herein designated and authorized so to do, and except such officers, agents and employees of the Government as may be authorized to enter upon Indian reservations in discharge of duties enjoined by law, shall ever be permitted to pass over, settle upon, or reside in the territory described in this Article..."

Article 1. "If bad men among the whites ... shall commit any wrong upon the person or property of the Indians, the United States will, upon proof made to the agent and forwarded to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Washington City, proceed at once to cause the offender to be arrested and punished according to the laws of the United States, and also to re-imburse the injured person for the loss sustained."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, in accordance with the Treaty and the laws located in the United States of America, and as a consequence of your act, you must permanently cease and desist from the violations charged. You are instructed to vacate and remove your persons and any personal property you deem necessary from the Treaty Territory of the Great Sioux Nation immediately.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Great Sioux Nation, in order to prevent further trespass upon said land, may without further or any additional notice of any kind whatsoever, and without liability, take possession, destroy, or remove said property at your expense. The Great Sioux Nation hereby elects to declare forfeiture or abandonment of any property that you occupy or use if you fail to cease, desist, and vacate the Premises. Noncompliance with this

## Official Statement of the Great Sioux Nation

He Sapa is the center of our identity and where our culture began. To the Great Sioux Nation, He Sapa is the first location created on Earth and is believed to be the heart of the Earth. Our ability to harness the power contained from He Sapa is hindered by our physical separation from it.

For over a century, the Great Sioux Nation asserts that the United States unlawfully abrogated the Fort Laramie Treaty, specifically where the United States pledged that the Great Sioux Reservation, including the Black Hills, would be "set apart for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupation of the Indians."

The Great Sioux Nation hereby condemns the blatant racism that is coming from the owner of the Grand Gateway Hotel and its subsidiaries in Rapid City, South Dakota, on Treaty territory. The Great Sioux Nation is prepared to take the following actions needed to end racism on our treaty lands indefinitely.

- 1. Boycott entire Rapid City
- 2. Boycott Grand Gateway and its subsidiaries
- 3. Pressure Rapid City Council to revoke Business License
- 4. Discuss moving LNI to another location with the LNI Board
- 5. Discuss moving Black Hills Pow Wow to another location
- 6. File hate crime charges against the owner
- 7. Push Ordinance tax for mental health
- 8. Address the Open Carry law
- 9. Create a rating system on businesses to track quality of service to Indians
- 10. Serve Notice of Trespassing

We the honorable Chairmen and Presidents of the Great Sioux Nation, hereby reaffirm and reassert our ancestral treaty lands since time immemorial, and touch the pen to paper.

Peter Lengkey, Chairman Crow Creek Sigux Tribe

Kevih Killer, President Oglala Lakota Sioux Tribe

Scott Herman, President Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Harold C. Frazier, Chairman Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

Janet Alkire, Chairwoman Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Notice of Trespass will institute legal proceedings to recover possession of said Premises which shall result in a declaratory and/or monetary judgment against you, including costs.

## GREAT SIOUX NATION SIGNATORIES

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