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Senator Steve Daines  
320 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Support for proposed SURVIVE Act and Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act

Dear Senator Daines:

I write to you on behalf of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe to voice full support for the proposed Securing Urgent Resources Vital to Indian Victim Empowerment (SURVIVE) Act and the proposed Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act.

The Tribe fully supports the enactment of the SURVIVE Act. American Indian and Alaska Native communities face some of the highest victimization rates in the country. As you know, our Reservation suffers from a tremendous crime problem due primarily to a lack of law enforcement resources. As a result, we all know or are victims of crime and additional funding for victim's assistance is badly needed. This Act would substantially increase the resources available to Indian tribes for victim assistance, services and infrastructure.

The Tribe also supports the Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act, which would amend the National Labor Relations Act of 1935 to include tribal governments alongside federal, state, and local governments that are already exempt from the NLRA. The Tribe aspires to have successful economic development on its Reservation and the TLSA could enable such opportunities.

Sincerely,

Rynalea Peña, President  
Northern Cheyenne Tribe

LITTLE WOLF AND MORNING STAR - Out of defeat and exile they led us back to Montana and won our Cheyenne homeland that we will keep forever.