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The Honorable Lindsay Graham United States Senator 290 Russell Senate Office Washington D.C., 20510

Dear Senator Graham:

On behalf of the Catawba Indian Nation, I write to respectfully request your support of the nomination of Congresswoman Deb Haaland to serve as the next Secretary of the Interior.

In our more than a decade of work together, I am grateful for you and your staff's strong respect and support for tribal self-determination. In light of that work, I am hopeful that you can support Congresswoman Haaland's nomination. Her nomination is truly historic for our community, and I believe she will be a strong ally in our on-going efforts to restore the Catawba Nation's aboriginal lands throughout the Catawba River Valley and bring economic development to this region.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to continuing our work together in the 117th<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Sincerely,

Chief William Harris

Catawba Indian Nation

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