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To Whom It May Concern:

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation has applied for grant funds for the purpose of funding the continuation of S.A.N.E. services in two community hospitals, advocacy services to victims and their families impacted by domestic violence, teen dating violence, stalking, sexual violence, and other violent crimes. As a tribal member, as well as, a member of the judiciary I am proud of the work the Muscogee (Creek) Nation does in our community as well as in my Court. Our County, being rural in nature, is lacking in resources especially in supportive services to ensure safety, justice, support and healing for adults impacted by sexual or domestic violence. Fortunately, I am able to consistently direct people to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation program for their invaluable resources that they are able to provide.

I am hopeful that their proposal will be funded and look forward to the opportunity to continue seeing their positive impacts in our local community.

As the Special District Judge for Okmulgee County I support the Muscogee (Creek) Nation in their application for this grant.

Respectfully,

Pandee Ramirez

Special District Judge