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Letter from Representative Burdick to C. H. Beitzel Regarding Food Commodities, January 20, 1950

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January 20, 1950.

Mr. C. H. Beitzel, Supt.,
Office of Indian Affairs,
Belcourt, North Dakota.

Dear Mr. Beitzel:

The enclosed letter from the United States Department of Agriculture commenting on the request of the Indians at your reservation for surplus commodities is self-explanatory.

Please let me know if there is anything further I can do for you in this matter and please see that all members of the band are informed.

Sincerely,

Usher L. Burdick, M.C.

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE TURTLE MOUNTAIN BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS
(An Unincorporated Tribe)

Whereas, this Unincorporated Tribe is an Indian Organization as defined by the provisions of the Act of July 12, 1943 (Public Law 133, 78th Congress 1st Session); and the regulations issued pursuant thereto by the Secretary of the Interior, and under its constitution and bylaws has full power and authority to pass resolutions, therefore;

Whereas, we have received only two car loads of surplus potatoes thus far and have learned thru various sources that the government has other surplus commodities such as, canned corn, pork products, frozen fish, dried peas, beans and fruit;

Whereas, our people are in destitute circumstances and need assistance in food and clothing, ~~as previous requests have been made to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs,~~

Now Therefore, we request sufficient supply of potatoes and other surplus commodities for our 1000 families that will need some assistance the next five months, and urgently request that the various governing bodies immediately assist in securing the commodities for our needs on the Turtle Mountain Reservation;

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution as adopted be furnished the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Regional Director, Senators Langer and Young, Representative Lemke and ~~Representative-elect~~ Burdick, Governor of North Dakota and Welfare Director of Bismarck, John Hart and Mrs. Ethel Hiesing, State Department of Public Instruction.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Acting Secretary of the Advisory Committee of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, an Unincorporated Tribe, hereby certify that the Advisory Committee is composed of eight (8) members, of whom five constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held the 23rd day of December 1949, that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of five members, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

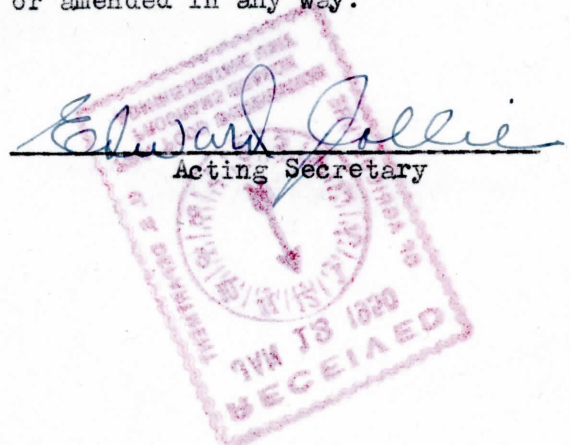
Dated this 23rd day of December, 1949.

ATTEST:

Robert Harris
Chairman

APPROVED:

C. J. Beitzel
Superintendent, Turtle Mountain
Consolidated Agency



RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
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(An Unincorporated Tribe)

Whereas, this Unincorporated Tribe is an Indian Organization as defined by the provisions of the Act of July 12, 1917 (Public Law 133, 78th Congress 1st Session); and the regulations issued pursuant thereto by the Secretary of the Interior, and under its constitution and bylaws has full power and authority to pass resolutions, therefore;

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Dated this 27th day of December 1949
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 U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE
 Chairman

APPROVED:

 Superintendent, Turtle Mountain Consolidated Agency

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Washington 25, D. C.

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Honorable Usher L. Burdick
House of Representatives

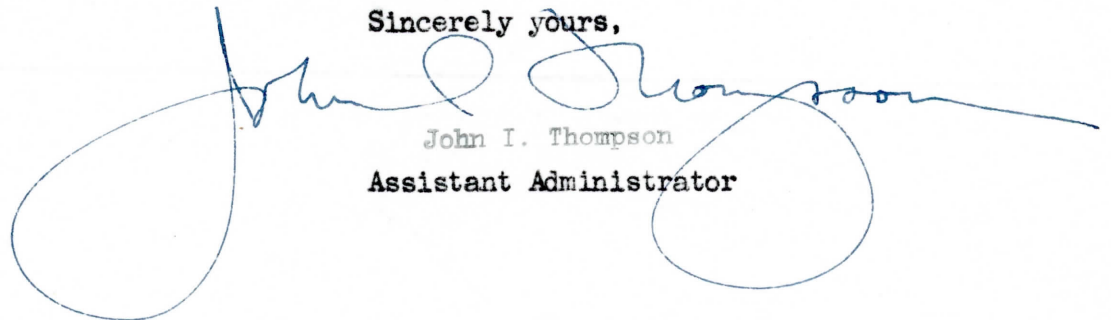
Dear Mr. Burdick:

This is in reply to your letter of January 11 to Mr. Leonard R. Trainer of this Administration, enclosing a resolution from the Advisory Committee of the Turtle Mountain, North Dakota, band of Chippewa Indians, requesting assistance in obtaining surplus commodities.

You will be interested to learn that this Department and the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction have taken steps to alleviate the distress of Indians in this State. This Department has authorized an increase in allowable distribution rates per person, and has made available additional quantities of surplus commodities, including potatoes, nonfat dry milk solids, dried eggs and apples. While the resolution refers to canned corn, pork products, dried fish, and other commodities, these are not among the foods obtained by the Department under its program to remove surplus agricultural commodities.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "John I. Thompson". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

John I. Thompson

Assistant Administrator