



## Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium

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Dave Archambault II  
Chairman  
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Dear Chairman Archambault,

The Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium (SGCETC) writes to express its fullest support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's efforts to stop all construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline. SGCETC represents the more than 350 Tribes across the Nation who currently compact through the Indian Health Service and Department of the Interior to directly provide and manage services delivered to their citizens.

A Self-Governance warrior, the Late Joseph DeLacruz expressed to Tribal leadership, "No right is more sacred to a nation, to a people, than the right to freely determine its social, political and cultural future without external interference." As such, Self-Governance Tribes support you and the thousands of protestors working to keep Tribal lands, sacred sites, and waters safe from unnecessary intrusion.

We send prayers and support for a favorable, peaceful conclusion to this infringement of Tribal sovereignty. Should Self-Governance Tribes be able to support you in the future please contact us at [rallen@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:rallen@jamestowntribe.org) and [lmalerba@moheganmail.com](mailto:lmalerba@moheganmail.com).

Sincerely,

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