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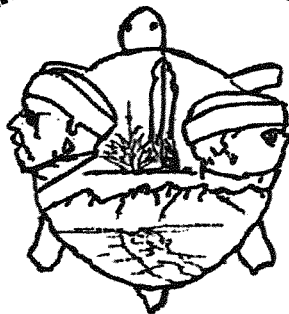
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**OPPOSITION TO  
PETITION 005**

**NOT IN INTEREST  
OF PIRO MANSO  
TIWA TRIBE**

#0351

**PIRO-MANSO-TIWA INDIAN**



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**The Piro Manso Tiwa Tribe  
Of Guadalupe Pueblo  
P.O. Box 16181  
Las Cruces, N.M. 88004**

**From: Members of the Piro Manso Tiwa Indian Tribe in Las Cruces, New Mexico.**

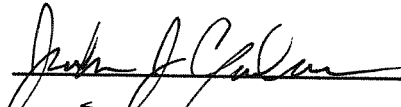
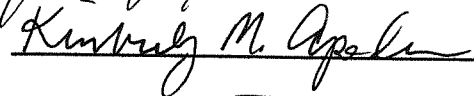

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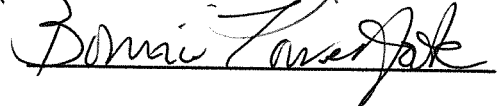
**Re: Brief In Opposition of Petition 005**

**We, the undersigned tribal members of The Piro-Manso-Tiwa Tribe of the Las Cruces Guadalupe Pueblo, respectfully submit this Brief In Opposition to the Tribe seeking federal recognition #005. This petition is not inclusive of all three Piro-Manso-Tiwa tribes of this region. It does not satisfy the burden of proof of inclusion, nor provides a process of uniting us. It delegitimizes the other two tribes of Piro-Manso-Tiwas. It would only serve to divide us more, instead of bringing us together, by creating animosity.**

**For the foregoing reasons, this Petition For Recognition should be denied. We pray you consider our request.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Continuation Of Opposition of Federal Recognition For Petition #005 PMT**

Devin O'neal

Lowie Cassile

Mani Smith

E Lisa Lopez

Chloe Carter

Nellie King

Robert Catanga

Tommy Lopez

**DATE OF SIGNATURES: March 15, 2016**

**From: Residents of Las Cruces, New Mexico**

**To: Department of the Interior  
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**Re: Opposition of Petition 005**

We respectfully submit this letter of opposition to the Tribe seeking federal recognition Petition #005. We have learned so much from the Piro-Manso-Tiwa Tribe of the Las Cruces Guadalupe Pueblo. They have had workshops in various museums here and in Socorro, New Mexico. They have danced and presented in Albuquerque, NM and in El Paso, Texas. They have also presented at the Brannigan Public Library and Cultural Center. In addition, they dance at their annual feast day, Dec. 12th held at St. Genevieve's Church in Las Cruces. They were invited and participated in the 400<sup>th</sup> Yr. Anniversary of the San Miguel Mission Church in Socorro, NM (Seat of the Tribe). Although we do not wish to get involved in any tribal details, we support this tribe, as they are teaching their members the culture of their ancestors through the history, language, and the weaving traditions of their pueblo. They also have taught their members how to make leather moccasins.

We pray you consider our request.

Respectfully,  
NAME

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<u>Jim T. Crocker</u>	<u>15 Mar 2016</u>	_____	_____
<u>Maria E. Gajala</u>	<u>3-15-16</u>	_____	_____
<u>BOB FOOTE</u>	<u>3/17/16</u>	_____	_____
<u>Denica Ray</u>	<u>3/17/16</u>	_____	_____
<u>Michelle</u>	<u>3/17/16</u>	_____	_____
<u>Juan Perez</u>	<u>3/17/16</u>	_____	_____
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Exemption 6



Mr. Antonio Jojola  
Las Cruces, NM 880

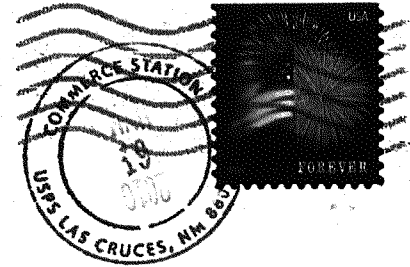
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