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The Honorable Greg Abbott Attorney General of Texas P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711-2548

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RE: Request for an opinion regarding the Lipan Apache Live Oak Treaty of 1838

Dear General Abbott:

Please accept this letter as one of request for an opinion from your office on the following question:

Is the Live Oak Treaty, which was signed on January 8, 1838 by the Lipan Apaches of Texas, and subsequently adopted, ratified and concurred on by the 1st and 3rd Texas Legislature, still considered a binding agreement?

Enclosed with this request is a copy of the Live Oak Treaty signed by the Lipan Apaches of Texas in 1838 during the Republic of Texas Era.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Lori Flores Mannion on my staff, should you have any questions or require additional information.

Yours truly,

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cc: Senator Elliot Shapleigh