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The Honorable David Bernhardt Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Congratulations on your Senate confirmation as Secretary of the Department of the Interior, a position that oversees more than 2 billion acres of ocean, public land, national parks, wildlife refuges, and endangered species habitat, along with the historic and cultural resources of this nation.

As Secretary, it is your statutory responsibility to balance protection and conservation of these invaluable resources with responsible management, and to cooperate with Congress in oversight of the Department and its activities.

As such, I invite you to testify before the Committee on Natural Resources at 10:00am, Wednesday, May 15th, 2019. The Members of the Natural Resources Committee look forward to the opportunity to discuss the priorities and policies of the department.

Sincerely,

Spile Raúl M. Grijalva

Chair Committee on Natural Resources