



Architect of the Capitol

U.S. Capitol, Room SB-16
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Dear Tribal Leader,

The Architect of the Capitol (AOC) is a legislative branch agency serving Congress and the Supreme Court as the builder and steward of the landmark buildings and grounds of Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. The AOC is committed to providing an environment for inspiring experiences for all who work and visit this symbol of American democracy.

We are honored to represent the legislative branch in engaging with tribal leaders or their designated representatives to seek input on a proposed project to display the official flags of federally recognized tribes on the Capitol campus. The AOC has been authorized to lead the initiative's outreach through the [Fiscal Year 2020 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CREC-2019-12-17/pdf/CREC-2019-12-17-house-bk3.pdf) (<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CREC-2019-12-17/pdf/CREC-2019-12-17-house-bk3.pdf>) and requests your help to determine:

- Whether your tribe has an official flag or plans to adopt a flag in the future
- Whether you are interested in having your tribe's flag displayed on the Capitol campus

To assist the agency with providing recommendations to Congress on this important endeavor, the AOC has partnered with Kauffman & Associates, Inc. (KAI), a Native-owned firm. We are seeking your response through a short form (available online and in hard copy), which can be accessed using the following link: [Architect of the Capitol – Tribal Flags Project](https://bit.ly/3f2brrC) (<https://bit.ly/3f2brrC>). You will also receive a e-mail version of this letter; both versions will link to the same online form. Please complete and submit the form by April 7, 2023.

If you have any questions about the form, please contact KAI Vice President for Research & Evaluation, Dr. Soultana Macridis, at 509.789.2669 or by email, research@kauffmaninc.com.

For questions about the AOC, please email communications@aoc.gov or call 202.228.1793.

We appreciate your time and look forward to learning more about your tribe's interest in the sharing of your official flag on the Capitol campus.

Sincerely,

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Acting Architect of the Capitol