



Statement on the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake Compact

The California Nations Indian Gaming Association (“**CNIGA**”) supports the sovereign right of all federally recognized California Indian tribes to negotiate tribal-state gaming compacts with the State of California, and acknowledges that the compact recently negotiated between the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake and the State may be appropriate to the unique circumstances faced by Upper Lake. CNIGA congratulates Upper Lake, but notes that under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), each tribe in California has the right to negotiate its own unique agreement and therefore the Upper Lake compact should not be viewed or used as a “model” compact applicable to any other tribe.

*Adopted by the CNIGA Executive Committee
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