



RIVERSIDE METROPOLITAN  
MUSEUM

May 6, 2009

Mr. Douglas Denton, Chairperson  
Ione Band of Miwok Indians of California  
P.O. Box 1190  
Ione, CA 95640

Dear Mr. Denton,

I write to inform the Ione Band of Miwok Indians of California that the Riverside Metropolitan Museum ("Museum") will move forward with their request to repatriate the human remains and associated funerary objects of Miwok origin from the RMM collections based upon the letter dated April 8, 2009 provided by Ione to the Museum wherein Ione provided a summary of their shared group identity and cultural affiliation, in relation to the human remains and associated funerary objects, sufficient to satisfy the preponderance of the evidence standard as required by NAGPRA.

Please feel free to contact Maggie Wetherbee, Curator of Anthropology, at (951) 826-5128 regarding the next steps in the repatriation process. We look forward to working together with you and are committed to providing any assistance that is needed in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ennette Morton  
Museum Director

Maggie Wetherbee  
Curator of Anthropology

Cc: Rina Gonzales, Deputy City Attorney