Honorable Jose Simon, III
Chairman, Lake Miwok Indian Nation of
Middletown Rancheria
22223 Highway 29 at Rancheria Road
P.O. Box 1035
Middletown, California  95461

Dear Chairman Simon:

This letter responds to your request to the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve the October 18, 2000, Middletown Rancheria (Rancheria) Tribal Gaming Ordinance and the January 2, 2001, Resolution No. 2000-12-03 received in this office on January 26, 2001. The Chairman of the NIGC approved the original ordinance on May 15, 1995. This letter constitutes approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). Such approval does not constitute approval of specific games. It is important to note that the gaming ordinance is approved for gaming only on Indian lands, as defined in the IGRA, over which the Rancheria exercises jurisdiction.

Thank you for submitting the tribal gaming ordinance of the Lake Miwok Indian Nation of the Middletown Rancheria. The NIGC staff and I look forward to working with you and the Rancheria in implementing the IGRA.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Montie R. Deer
Chairman
IN THE MATTER OF: Authorizing Fingerprint cards to be completed by an authorized law enforcement agency for the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Gaming Commission.

WHEREAS, The Middletown Rancheria is a federally recognized Indian Tribe as defined under the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, governed under the General Council of the Middletown Rancheria and;

WHEREAS, The Middletown Rancheria owns and operates the Twin Pine Casino as provided for under the Tribes duly enacted Tribal Gaming Ordinance authorizing such activities; and

WHEREAS, The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 provides the regulatory authority by which the Middletown Rancheria can regulate gaming activities conducted within the boundaries of its Rancheria and;

WHEREAS, The Middletown Rancheria established the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Gaming Commission to comply with the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Gaming Ordinance, the provisions of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, regulations enacted by the National Indian Gaming Commission, and provisions of any Tribal-State Compact governing Class III gaming on Middletown Rancheria Tribal lands.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Middletown Rancheria hereby authorizes the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Gaming Commission to enforce all provisions of the Tribes and Federal Regulations or provisions of any Tribal-State Compact.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Fingerprinting cards and process be completed by the Lake County Sheriffs Department of California or until the time that the Tribal Gaming Commission has met the required training for fingerprinting.
CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the General Council of the Middletown Rancheria at a General Council meeting held on the 2nd day of December 2000 at which time a quorum was present, by a vote of 20 FOR and 2 OPPOSED and 0 ABSTAINING, and that this Resolution has not been changed, rescinded or amended in any way.

Jose Simon III, Tribal Chairman

Date

Luva Rivera, Tribal Secretary

Date