WHEREAS, the tribe of Piute Indians that formerly occupied the greater part of Nevada, and now didistribution of the whites since they first entered their country, and has of late been deprived of the Malheur Reservation decreed to them by President Grant:

I, Sarah Winnemucca Hopkins, grand-daughter of Capt. Truckee, who promised friendship for his tribe to Gen. Fremont, whom he guided into California, and served through the Mexican war,—together with the undersigned friends who sympathise in the cause of my people,—do petition the Honorable Congress of the United States to restore to them said Malheur Reservation, which is well watered and timbered, and large enough to afford homes and support for them all, where they can enjoy lands in severalty without losing their tribal relations, so essential to their happiness and good character, and where their citizenship, implied in this distribution of land, will defend them from the encroachments of the white settlers, so detrimental to their interests and their virtues. And especially do we petition for the return of that portion of the tribe arbitrarily removed from the Malheur Reservation, after the Bannock war, to the Yakima Reservation on Columbia River, in which removal families were ruthlessly separated, and have never ceased to pine for husbands, wives and children, which restoration was pledged to them by the Secretary of the Interior in 1880, but has not been fulfiled.

Please put your signature to this Petition, and invite others to sign it, and return to me, care of Mrs. Horace Mann, 54 Bowdoin Street, Boston, that the Petition may be early presented to Congress.

SARAH WINNEMUCCA HOPKINS.

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