## **Pacific Patriots Network**

20 January 2016

Governor Kate Brown 160 State Capitol 900 Court Street Salem, OR 97301-4047

Re; Malheur National Wildlife Refuge Occupation

Dear Governor Brown,

The Founders of the Pacific Patriots Network (PPN) have been trying for the past few weeks to facilitate a dialogue and open communication between Ammon Bundy and Harney County Government representatives.

PPN is concerned that only one brief, face to face discussion has taken place between Sheriff Dave Ward and Ammon Bundy. PPN facilitated this meeting to hopefully start a discussion between the parties leading to peaceful resolution of the occupation. On 08 January 2016 we presented all parties with proposed Articles of Resolution based on their public statements. This was a second attempt to promote the start of open communication and dialogue. Again, no direct communication has resulted.

In light of all parties unwillingness to engage in discussion leading to peaceful resolution, PPN is requesting Governor Brown send a Mediator immediately to Harney County. The parameters of the Mediator is to moderate and facilitate both parties engage in discussion leading to peaceful resolution and de-escalation of the situation in Harney County.

Respectfully

Joseph Rice

Founding Member

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