



Native American Business Alliance
Long Island

PETITION TO THE NEW YORK ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

We are New York residents who support our Indian friends and neighbors in their quest for self-reliance and economic independence. We oppose efforts to terminate the centuries-old treaties protecting the right of New York Tribes to sell tax-free tobacco and other goods on their own reservations. Indian smoke shops employ hundreds of tribal members with full healthcare and retirement benefits and it generates economic activity for local, non-Indian businesses that supply their stores. Most importantly, these Indian-owned shops help Tribes pay their own way; using some of the profits to fix schools, roads, playgrounds and housing on reservations.

Now, some of the politicians in Albany, together with narrow and very wealthy special interests, are trying to destroy the economy of two small Long Island Indian Nations an other New York native communities, threatening them with lawsuits and criminal prosecution. We the petitioners, ask the following:

1. That the convenience stores and the big chain supermarkets of New York drop their lawsuits.
2. That the Attorney General and elected officials end their opposition and allow Indian Tribes the economic independence and self-sufficiency enjoyed by all other Americans.
3. That elected officials rescind legislation that violates and disrespects the centuries-old treaties that gives Indian Tribes the right to sell tax-free products on their own land.

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