EXHIBIT A

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE CHEHALIS)
RESERVATION, ET. AL.)
Plaintiffs,)
V.) No. 1:20-cv-01002-APM
)
STEVEN MNUCHIN, SECRETARY, UNITED)
STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY)
Defendant.)
	_)

DECLARATION OF MARIA DADGAR

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTER TRIBAL ASSOCIATION OF ARIZONA

- I, Maria Dadgar, declare and state as follows:
- 1. I serve as the Executive Director for the Inter Tribal Association of Arizona, Inc.
- 2. The Inter Tribal Association of Arizona, Inc., is a not-for-profit intertribal organization composed of 21 federally recognized Tribes, with lands in Arizona, as well as California, New Mexico, Nevada, and Utah. The member Tribes of the Inter Tribal Association of Arizona have worked together since 1952 to provide a united voice for Tribes on matters of common concern.
- 3. ITAA's member Tribes are the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Cocopah Tribe, the Colorado River Indian Tribes, the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, the Gila River Indian Community, the Havasupai Tribe, the Hopi Tribe, the Hualapai Indian Tribe, the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, the Quechan Tribe, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the San Carlos Apache Tribe, the San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe, the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Tonto Apache Tribe, the White Mountain Apache

Tribe, the Yavapai-Apache Nation, the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe, and the Zuni Tribe (hereinafter, "member Tribes").

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- 4. As the direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic, each of our 21 member Tribes promptly and voluntarily issued emergency orders on their reservations, including to radically limit or shut down their gaming, tourism, and other business enterprises. These difficult decisions were made despite the fact that our member Tribes' tribal enterprises are the principal source of governmental revenues used by our member Tribes to pay for essential governmental services, including their COVID-19 response.
- 5. The associated loss of revenue being experienced by our member Tribes has crippled their ability to provide ongoing governmental services to their community members, including but not limit to, public safety and policing, health care, child care, elder assistance, food assistance, garbage and sanitation services, and many others services.
- 6. Our member Tribes have done their best to mitigate the economic hardships they and their tribal members are experiencing, by (where possible) providing paid leave and ongoing medical benefits to furloughed employees and overtime pay to essential employees and emergency workers for as long as possible.
- 7. I have read the *Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction* filed by the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned matter, and the description of the devastating economic harms and other hardships facing the plaintiffs as set forth at pages 12-13 and 31-33 of that motion are virtually the same for the member Tribes of the Inter Tribal Association of Arizona.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 20th day of April 2020

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Maria Dadgar, MBA Executive Director

Inter Tribal Association of Arizona, Inc.