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The People called Quakers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey &c.
By their Representatives assembled at Philadelphia 8th Nov. 22 1795

To our Brothers the Shawnee, Delaware, and other Nations of Indians
who propose holding a Council fire at
peace between them & the United States.

Brothers, When a time was agreed on two years since for kindling
Council fire at Sandusky, our hearts were made to rejoice, in hope the
work of peace would go forward; six of our Brothers took a long journey
to see you at that time, under a desire of affording their assistance
in making the Council fire known, but by the working of that bad Spirit
which was the hindrance of the Treaty, the Treaty was frustrated, and our
friends were under the painful necessity of returning home with the
unfavorable tidings. The War, the one destroyer of mankind, was likely to be
continued; since which the accounts received from your Country of so much
Blood being shed on both sides have occasioned our lamentation and mourning.

Brothers, we then sent you an Address, accompanied with a small present
as a Token of our love and remembrance of you, which our said Address
was committed to the care of Col. McKee's, but as we had no
information of your having received it, we hereewith send you a Copy. If
it shall prove as a Token of our love & remembrance of you, it was also sent by our Brother about in a
which they had not the satisfaction of delivering to you.

Brothers, it affords us much comfort that a step is put to the further
effusion of Blood, and we earnestly desire that in the Council fire
now about to be kindled, your trust & dependence may be on the Great
Ruler of Nations where he may be pleased to influence & direct
your Councils, so that the sound of War may no more be heard in your
land.

Brothers, we have often been grieved at beholding the evil effects, 
particularly Indian
the excessive use of strong drink on the Red people, even when
deliberating on the solemn business of ratifying Treaties which are to bind them and
their posterity to future generations, and are unanimously solicited that in
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from that evil practice. Brothers
We continue sincerely desirous that your Trusty & Dependence Confi-
dence may be placed on the Great & Good Spirit, & that by a state of inward
watchfulness & daily prayer your kinds may become illuminated more clearly to see
the impropriety of men shedding the Blood of their fellow men, thus might you
gradually redeem from that unjust & revengeful Spirit from which Wars
originate proceed. We much desire your further acquaintance with the
precepts & peaceful Spirit of the Gospel and apprehend you would experience many benefits
by having your Children taught to read and write; or in interest and that they
instructed in our manner of tilling the Earth; if you can
device any eligible Mode, wherein we will cheerfully contribute towards your Aide & relief as expressed in the
promotion amongst your people as expressed in the
abovement. Copy of our former Letter to which we refer and remain your
Friends & Brethren. James Pemberton John Parrish David Bacon Geo. Churchmany Samuel Em

Owen Biddley James Emn

Harvey Jesse Foulkey Stephen Mendenhall John Wistary Jon. Evans