Uper Sandusky May 8th 1810

His Excellency, Governor Huntington

Dear Sir

Father we the Chiefs and warriors your Children salute you and we take this opportunity to let you know that some of your people have encroached upon our lands and it is probable that you have heard nothin about it

they have ben surveying and measurin out lands on this side of the line and Now Father we apply to you for assistance we under stand that you are apointed to Govern rule and Correct the people of this state we have heard pious Counsel and had this matter under Consideration you remem the treaty of peace Concluded at Greenville that we should Consider the united States people as our Father and we to be Considered by them as their Children and we hope that the Great Spirit will keep this good peac in our hearts

our Father told us at the treaty that those of his people living near us should see and take care that no person or persons should meddle with or encroach upon our Lands our Father told us that his people are a very greedy people and he said that \[crossed out\] a trader would come and sit down with you and after awhile perhaps he will be looking at the land and a little after perhaps he will ask for a little to plant an our Father told us to tell them No and if any one came to trad without License we should let our Father know of it

the reasons we have wrote to you upon this matter we understand that you are to take care of your people to the line and if they transgress you are to Correct them Father we would wish to go in to see you our selves but we hear that the small pox is about and we are afraid and this is the reason we write to you Father I am very Sorry I could not go in if I had went I Could have related the whole treaty to you but I have only sent these few line to let you know these matters of importance and great Conserrment to us

we would wish you to send out two papers with orders upon them for those people not to encroach upon us one for your Children at this place and one for your Children at Scioto to show and Convince the people that it is contrary to law to meddle settle or survey land over the line

Father we your Children salute you with our Compliments and may the grate Spirit bless and assist our Father and we his Children that we may live together in peace

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Chiefs of Uper Sandusky

Tanamaranak [his X mark] or John Hat
Scoentiah [his X mark]
Yaraptaijah [his X mark]

Erawyawok [his X mark]
Tehiyanyah [his X mark]
Rashanah [his X mark]
Scolash [his X mark]
Teizue [his X mark]

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