

MORONGO  
BAND OF  
MISSION  
INDIANS



A SOVEREIGN NATION

December 6, 2005

National Indian Gaming Association  
Membership Committee  
224 Second Street SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Membership Committee:

This letter is to sponsor and recommend membership in the National Indian Gaming Association for L.A. Italian Kitchen Mgmt., Inc. The Morongo Band of Mission Indians has worked with L.A. Italian Kitchen over a period of one year in the capacity of conducting restaurant operations within the food court at the Casino Morongo. We are extremely satisfied with their performance. Our interaction with L.A. Italian Kitchen leads us to believe that they support Indian gaming as a viable means of economic development for tribal governments. L.A. Italian Kitchen is not a person or entity whose prior activities or associations pose a threat to the public interest or the effective regulation of gaming. As a business interested in the advancement of Indian gaming, L.A. Italian Kitchen has demonstrated its commitment to the NIGA Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

Membership of L.A. Italian Kitchen in the association will increase their knowledge and understanding of the Native American culture, thus working to benefit of tribes and the Indian gaming industry. On behalf of the Morongo Band of Mission Indians, I wholeheartedly recommend L.A. Italian Kitchen as an associate member to the National Indian Gaming Association.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maurice Lyons". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

Maurice Lyons  
Tribal Chairman  
Morongo Band of Mission Indians