BILL NUMBER: AB 1884

VETOED DATE: 09/28/2008

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1884 without my signature. As I have stated before in vetoing similar measures, allowing a tribal government that is not subject to all federal, state and local laws to participate in the exercise of public power, particularly off reservation lands, diminishes public accountability and control.

Sovereign tribes can work cooperatively with their local governments through agreements and memorandums of understanding as contemplated in the tribal-state compacts my Administration has executed. I encourage the proponents of this measure to pursue their objectives in this manner.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature. Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger