**Proxy Designation Form to be copied onto Tribal Letterhead and Emailed to the USDA FNS Point of Contact no later than July 28, 2024**

Mrs. Erin Parker

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Dear Mrs. Parker:

Under Executive Order 13175, “Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments,” and USDA Departmental Regulation 1350-002, “Tribal Consultation,” USDA aims to respect Indian Tribal self-government and sovereignty, honor Tribal treaty and other rights, and meet the responsibilities that arise from the unique legal relationship between the Federal government and Tribal governments.

I recognize that because duly elected Tribal leaders, or their designee, trigger the government-to-government relationship with the United States, formal administrative requirements under the Federal Advisory Committee Act do not apply to this meeting.[[1]](#footnote-2)

I am unable to attend the consultation on July 29, 2024, to discuss the WIC Indian Tribal Organizations (ITOs) and Territories Research Study. I hereby designate:

who holds the position of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ within the Tribe to act as my proxy for this meeting.

Sincerely,

1. See the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA; 5 U.S.C. Appendix – Federal Advisory Committee Act; 86 Stat. 770, as amended.) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)