

Dear House of Natural Resources Committee,

My name is Patricia Pearson. I am writing in support of H.R. 5444 the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act.

It is past time to honestly gather information and documentation of the Indian School experiences and people involved so that we might always have the records and stories and hopefully take the next steps in healing and reconciliation. This was a 'colonial' and atrocious time and experience in our country that needs to be addressed now.

Thank you to the Natural Resources Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, Patricia Pearson Wa. State