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WHEREAS, the federal Indian boarding school system was a component of broader federal policy that sought to dispossess Tribal Nations and Indigenous people of land and territory through the eradication of Indigenous cultures and assimilation of Indigenous people; and

WHEREAS, the federal Indian boarding school system disrupted and contributed to the loss of life, physical and mental health, territories and wealth, Tribal and family relations, use of Tribal languages, and Tribal religious and cultural practices; and

WHEREAS, the losses experienced as a result of the federal Indian boarding school system extend over several generations; and

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