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First name: Lakota

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Organization:

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Comments: South Dakota, the land of my people from

Time immemorial, value and honor the Black Hills as sacred. People gathered money together to protect the area specifically known as 'Pe Sla from any devastation. This proposed mining will destroy, the land, the water, and all living beings that have a right to be there.

No greedy corporation has any right to destroy the very trees that give us breath, the water that gives us life, and the beautiful purity that our children and grandchildren deserve. My grandchildren and grandchildren live there now and

I return home every year. I was even named for this land of my people. We do not give consent for any of this proposed devastation..

Is our birthright and responsibility to protect this land for our future generations

A concerned, grandmother and tribal citizen.