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To John Milton Earle

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Gayhead August 25 1859

Respected Friend sir

I have consulted with Deacon S Johnson and others and we have concluded, that it will be best to have our business meetings legalized at present we have no means of clothing our officers with authority, if we wish to repair our roads or raise a little money for the school or keep publick buildings in repair or to deal with disorderly schoolers we have no means of doing. The land that we hold in severalty which come by heirship or purchase enclosed or taken in the rough and cleared is ours according to all Indian customs in severalty, we think our titles ought to be confirmed.

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If any further information write I will do the what I can.
Thy friend,
Zaccheus Howwaswee

To John Milton Earle

Worcester Mass