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Senator Cory Gardner
355 Russell Senate Office Building
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Dear Senator Gardner:

Thank you for your continuing championship and support of Amache and most recently for reintroducing S. 35, the Granada Relocation Center Study Act to conduct a special resource study for the purpose of establishing the Granada Relocation Center as a National Park site. This designation would expand exposure of the site to more people who might then visit and learn the history as you yourself have done.

Granada is one of the ten WRA concentration camps that continue to tell the story of Japanese American incarceration, each in their own way. Amache is particularly notable for the condition of the historic site. The excellent condition of the site has made for an excellent research opportunity through partnerships with academics and historic preservation groups. Amache was particularly notable for the success of its agricultural program and as the one facility that established a viable commercial business producing silk screens.

Our Japanese American history is threatened to be erased by the passage of time. Establishment of sites such as Amache within the NPS will help to ensure that our country never forgets the injustices done to Japanese Americans and how we as a community and as a country can rise above these injustices to be a better nation.

Thank you again for your leadership in putting this bill forward and your past work on behalf of Amache.

Sincerely,

David Inoue
Executive Director