

News Release

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Secretary Salazar's Statement on Crow Chairman Carl Venne

DENVER, CO – Today, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar made the following statement in honor of Crow Tribal Chairman Carl Venne, who died this weekend in Montana:

"Chairman Venne's death is a terrible loss for the Crow Nation and for our country. He dedicated more than three decades to serving his community and to leading his people. His tireless work to improve education, make communities safer, and expand opportunities for those who follow is an indelible legacy and an inspiration for the Crow Nation, Indian Country, and all of the American people. Our thoughts and prayers are with Chairman Venne's family, his friends, and the Crow Nation."

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