

PRESS ADVISORY FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, AT 11 AM

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ACTIVISTS RALLY TO JOIN INTERNATIONAL CALL ON GERMAN BANK TO DIVEST FROM DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE COMPANIES

***RAMAPOUGH LENAPE NATION, AMERICAN INDIAN LAW ALLIANCE
LEAD INDIGENOUS AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS OUTSIDE NY
HEADQUARTERS OF BAVARIAN-BASED BAYERN LB WHICH HAS \$120
MILLION INVESTED IN DAPL***

BANK BOARD CHAIR IS MAJOR SUPPORTER OF UN SUSTAINABILITY GOALS AND PARIS CLIMATE ACCORD – ACTIVISTS SAY TO BACK UP THAT COMMITMENT WITH DIVESTMENT

Indigenous leaders from the Ramapough Lenape Nation and American Indian Law Alliance will join environmental activists from Food & Water Watch and 350NYC on Friday, February 17th, at 11 am outside the New York headquarters of Germany-based BayernLB bank at 560 Lexington Avenue (at East 51st Street) in Manhattan calling on the Bavarian bank to divest from its \$120 million investment in companies building the Dakota Access Pipeline across treaty-protected land of the Standing Rock Sioux in North Dakota.

Leaders from the Ramapough Lenape Nation will hold a prayer ceremony outside the bank in solidarity with the water protectors at Standing Rock. A delegation will also deliver a letter to bank executives in support of a group of German activists pressuring the bank, which is 94 percent owned by the Bavarian government, to back up the commitments by its board chair to support United Nations sustainability goals and the Paris Climate Accords.

A simultaneous action is planned at BayernLB Headquarters in Germany.

Who/What: Ramapough Lenape Nation and American Indian Law Alliance lead indigenous and environmental activists in prayer ceremony calling on Bavarian-based BayernLB bank to divest from companies building the Dakota Access Pipeline across treaty-protected land in North Dakota

Where: New York HQ of BayernLB
560 Lexington Avenue at East 50th Street
Manhattan

When: Friday, February 17th at 11 am