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Executive Council of the Central Council TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 24-110

Title: Authorization for THRHA to Submit 2024 Indian Community Development Block Imminent Threat Grant Application

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 37,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article X of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has designated Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) as its Tribally Designated Housing Entity and is a HUD designated Community Based Development Organization (CDBO); and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2024, the Mendenhall Valley in Juneau, Alaska experienced a glacial lake outburst flood (GLOF), also known as a Jokulhlaup, from Suicide Basin; and

WHEREAS, it released 16 billion gallons of water over a short period of time causing an almost 16-foot river stage of the Mendenhall River in the densely populated residential area, damaging 290 homes, and causing flooding even in neighborhoods further from the river and causing people to flee in the middle of the night; and

WHEREAS, 470 Tlingit & Haida citizens and 173 tribally owned residential structures are in the flood zone of which 41 structures required immediate field response; and

WHEREAS, Juneau is a coastal community nestled against mountains with very little buildable land; and

WHEREAS, most citizens live in the valley area and the community has an extreme shortage of affordable housing and general housing overall; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida, the City and Borough of Juneau, and the THRHA are seeking solutions and partners to mitigate the damage to the homes and eroding river embankments; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority as the sole authority to apply for the 2024 Indian Community Development Block Grant Imminent Threat (ICDBG IT) grant for a pre-Presidential Disaster Declaration amount of \$450,000 on behalf of Tlingit & Haida to assist with mitigation and restoration of damage caused by the Mendenhall River flood in Juneau; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Tlingit & Haida does not intend to submit an application on its own behalf for the current 2024 ICDBG IT funding; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon approval of the Presidential Disaster Declaration, Tlingit & Haida designates THRHA to seek the remaining \$450,000 allowable under the ICDBG IT program; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, Tlingit & Haida designates THRHA to implement the project in accordance with HUD standards and regulations, and the subrecipient agreement between Tlingit & Haida and THRHA.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of October 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY

President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata