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

Resolution EC 24-126

Title: Authorization to Apply for Funding from the Alaska Venture Fund

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 is committed to protecting our ways of life and building capacity to manage our traditional lands and waters, as well as Alaska's biodiversity, through public policy advocacy and Indigenous-led stewardship efforts; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida seeks to develop tribal capacity, skills to steward lands and forestry resources for the protection of 1) the biological health of ecosystems, 2) food security and sovereignty, 3) social well-being, cultural, and ceremonial purposes, and 4) economic sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida seeks to integrate traditional ecological knowledge with western scientific practices to protect and promote the environmental and cultural interests of Tlingit & Haida into the management of our traditional lands and waters; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida seeks to hire a Tongass Liaison that will advocate for tribal priorities in the Tongass National Forest Plan Revision process, while collaborating with other tribes to establish the Southeast Indigenous Stewardship Commission, to ensure that Indigenous perspectives are incorporated in policymaking and land management decisions; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$75,000 for one year of funding from the Alaska Venture Fund to support the position of a Tongass Liaison, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required by the Alaska Venture Fund for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed.

ADOPTED this 18th day of November 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absences.

CERTIFY

President Richard J. Peter

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata