

CENTRAL COUNCIL Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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

Resolution EC 24-137

Title: Authorization to Apply for U.S. Department of Homeland Security Funding under the Assistance to Firefighters Program

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, public safety is key to the security, health, and stability of our rural Southeast Alaska communities; and

WHEREAS, the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program has been effective at promoting and supporting community safety and stability in such rural Southeast Alaska communities; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida adheres to the Village Public Safety Officer Operating Procedures Manual (Manual); and

WHEREAS, the Manual outlines that a VPSO provides or arranges preventative maintenance or care of community fire equipment, and conducts or participates in fire drills at schools and other public buildings, as well as provides training to volunteer fire fighters; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has established an Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG); and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$1 million in funds from the DHS for a two-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, these funds would be used to fund a regional fire manager and an administrative assistant, and provide regionwide training for Tlingit & Haida VPSO personnel;

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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 Department of Homeland Security for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 11th day of December 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY

President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata