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

Resolution EC 24-30

Title: Authorization to Apply for Office of Urban Agriculture & Innovative Production Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Competitive Grants 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, under Tlingit & Haida's Climate Change Adaptation Plan, the tribe identified specific risks that climate change poses to Southeast Alaska food security; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production (OUAIP) has announced the availability of funding for a grant to support the development of urban agriculture and innovative production; and

WHEREAS, these funds are intended to be used to support planning and implementation activities in areas where fresh foods are limited or unavailable in Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida will conduct community assessments and asset mapping for existing food production, aggregation, and distribution systems, to determine what needs there are in underserved communities, and the feasibility of urban agriculture and innovative production to help address those needs; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$350,000.00 in funds from the OUAIP for a 3 year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate;

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 U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service Office for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Competitive Grants Program.

ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 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** 

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata

President Richard J. Pete