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

Resolution EC 24-51

Title: Authorization to Apply for the Administration for Native Americans Social and Economic Development Strategies Program Funding

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, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services' Administration for Native Americans (ANA) has announced funding available from the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the ANA SEDS program is to assist tribes and organizations by providing funding for projects that promote social and economic self-sufficiency, strengthen tribal governance, preserve culture, and enhance economic development opportunities within Native American communities; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida is seeking funding dedicated to the advancement of language revitalization and immersion, culture-based curriculum, teacher training, and related career readiness programs; and

WHEREAS, the project seeks to support language revitalization efforts and enhance self-determination and self-governance in education by establishing a Tribal Teacher Training and Certification program, to grow the capacity of Indigenous educators and address the absence of tribal authorization in Alaska's Type M Indigenous Language and Culture teacher certification ; and

WHEREAS, the development of teacher training models, pedagogy, and standards will enable Tlingit & Haida to develop and evaluate core competencies for culturally-informed and educated teachers, supporting urban and rural communities with teacher pathways to combat the high-turnover rates of teachers, while enhancing educational outcomes and strengthening future generations; and

WHEREAS, the project aims to bolster vocational training offerings through Generations Southeast, including apprenticeship opportunities and potential partnerships with Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and universities, to provide multiple career pathways for tribal citizens to pursue and to promote economic growth, cultural preservation, and language immersion through an Indigenous lens; and

WHEREAS, workforce development and training efforts will be advanced through this project by the creation of a training program for graphic design, illustration, language, culture, and media, targeting young adults to foster economic independence while supporting cultural heritage, education, and language learning opportunities; and

WHEREAS, by creating a diverse cohort of tribal citizens with skills in education, teaching, curriculum, language, culture, graphic arts and media, the project will generate wrap-around support for Tlingit & Haida's early education campus, classrooms, language immersion programs, education division projects, and economic development efforts, fostering a thriving community, tribe, and education system; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$300,000 per year for three years for total of \$900,00, such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate and Tlingit & Haida commits to fulfilling the match requirement; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to develop a Tribal Education Code, create additional pathways, such as apprenticeships for teachers to gain cultural and language certification, and form graphic/media course development as a pathway toward language education;

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 Administration for Native Americans for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida.

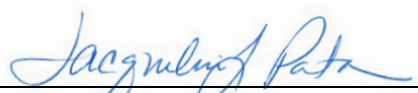
ADOPTED this 16th day of May 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata