

CENTRAL COUNCIL *Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska* Office of the President • Edward K. Thomas Building 9097 Glacier Highway • Juneau, Alaska 99801

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

Resolution EC 24-84

Title: Authorization to Accept a Grant Agreement with Ocean Conservancy, Inc.

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

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida received two U.S. Department of Agriculture Local Food Purchasing Agreement (LFPA) grants totaling \$1.38 million; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture does not allow for packaging and shipping costs with LFPA grant funding, meaning Tlingit & Haida cannot use this funding to package and ship its herring roe on the kelp distributions; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida and the Ocean Conservancy have entered into a grant agreement worth \$44,520; and

WHEREAS, the grant's purpose is designed to support Tlingit & Haida's Indigenous Stewardship Program, including the Seacoast Indigenous Guardians, Traditional Food Security and Youth Stewards programs to further efforts to create a fish and wildlife commission; and

WHEREAS, the grant is also intended to expand and strengthen the growing collaboration on these and other issues; and

WHEREAS, this Ocean Conservancy funding could be used to supplement the LFPA grant, and will help fund the packing and shipping of Tlingit & Haida's traditional foods distributions including the herring roe on kelp distribution; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to accept \$44,520 in funds from the Ocean Conservancy for a 18-month project, and such funding caps Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate at 30%, creating a \$2,239.36 shortfall;

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 grant agreement to provide funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed food distribution.

ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence.

**CERTIFY** 

President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata