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

Resolution EC 25-109

Title: Opposition to Federal Legislation that Would Privatize Our Homelands and Harm Our Citizens

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 38,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has grave concern regarding proposed federal legislation that threatens the health, wellbeing, and sovereign rights of Alaska Native people, including H.R. 1 (“One Big Beautiful Bill Act”) and the 2025 Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee (SENR) budget reconciliation proposal; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 1 would roll back clean energy and climate resilience programs that are vital to the future of rural Alaska Native communities, restrict access to food assistance, reduce Medicaid and healthcare access, and expedite extractive industry projects without meaningful Tribal consultation on traditional lands within the Tongass National Forest; and

WHEREAS, the SENR Committee budget reconciliation proposal would impose harmful fees on renewable energy projects, support regressive logging practices via privatization and increased production on public lands including traditional Alaska Native territories, ignore federal trust responsibilities, and undermine rights guaranteed by the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANSCA), the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and other federal statutes; and

WHEREAS, both pieces of federal legislation threaten the ability of Tlingit & Haida and other tribal nations to carry forward their cultural, economic, and environmental stewardship responsibilities, placing short-term industrial profits over long-term Indigenous lifeways and the health of our communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby opposes all legislation that would privatize our homelands and harm our citizens, including H.R. 1 (“One Big Beautiful Bill Act”) and the 2025 Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee (SENR) budget reconciliation proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida urges Alaska’s congressional delegation to oppose these pieces of federal legislation; and

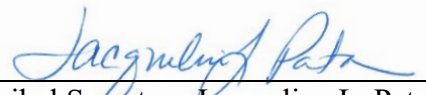
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida calls upon federal decision-makers to honor tribal sovereignty, uphold the trust responsibility, and meaningfully consult with tribes on all legislative actions affecting our lands, waters, people and indigenous lifeways.

ADOPTED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, 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**

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**

  
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Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata