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

Resolution EC 25-36

Title: Approval of the 477 Plan Amendment to Expand Programming, Services, and Pooled Funding

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, 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, Tlingit & Haida's 477 Plan was the first Plan to be approved in 1994 under the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act, Public Law 102-477; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida experienced tremendous growth during the COVID-19 pandemic, and an Amendment to the 477 Plan to expand the 477 Programming, Services, and Pooled Funding is in the best interest of the tribe to best serve tribal citizens and families; and

WHEREAS, consistent with P.L. 115-93, an Amendment to the existing 477 Plan to expand and fully integrate 477 programs, grants and services would allow Tlingit & Haida to fully draw down funds once they are appropriated to the federal agency, and thus Tlingit & Haida would receive full upfront funding – in contrast with periodic drawdowns – and allow the ability to earn interest on said funds; and

WHEREAS, an Amendment would also mean that no carryover request would be required if a grant was underspent, because at the initial integration of the 477 Plan Tlingit & Haida would request all previous carryover funding be included in 477 plan for the grant award period; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to Amend its 477 Plan to expand and fully integrate its 477 programming to include the following programs, grants, and/or services:

Department of the Interior

- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Welfare Assistance (Burial Assistance)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Welfare Assistance (Emergency Assistance)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Social Services

- Bureau of Indian Education, Johnson O'Malley (JOM)
- Bureau of Indian Education, Higher Education

Department of Health and Human Services

- Child Support Enforcement
- Head Start (Early Head Start to be included as soon as available)
- Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program Title IV-B Subpart 1
- MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families Title IV-B Subpart 2

Department of Education

• American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

WHEREAS, integrating the above listed programs, grants, and/or services would add approximately \$7,500,000 in annual funding (based on past Congressional appropriations) to the current approximately \$8,000,000 annual 477 budget and the additional funding allow for 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 federal granting agencies for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed 477 Plan amendment.

ADOPTED this 21st day of March 2025, 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