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

Resolution EC 25-53

Title: Authorization to Apply for the Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition
Missing & Murdered Indigenous Person Health and Response Teams Special Initiative

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, Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) have been identified as a national issue for decades, our American Indian and Alaska Native brothers and sisters have dealt with high rates of violence in their communities; and

WHEREAS, homicide is the number three leading cause of death for American Indian and Alaska Native females between the ages of 10 and 24 and the number five leading cause of death for 25 to 34-year-olds; and

WHEREAS, forty percent of all victims of sex trafficking are identified as American Indian and Alaska Native women; and

WHEREAS, it is important to work together with U.S. Department of Justice, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, public safety, law enforcement, and local agencies; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida held an MMIP conference, raising awareness that indigenous women, girls, trans and two spirit people experience violence, sexual assault, and murder at the highest rates of any ethnic group in our region; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition (MIWSAC) has announced a special initiative in partnership with the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (NIWRC) and the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center (AKNWRC); and

WHEREAS, the initiative's purpose is to empower communities and service providers to respond effectively and collaboratively to MMIP cases through the implementation of Tribal-based Models of Care that address the need for accessible, survivor-centered, trauma-informed, culturally appropriate services, while emphasizing community participation and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, the first phase in the process involves a brief application to explain the organization's experience responding to MMIP cases related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking and present ideas for how the organization would approach this project; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$250,000 in funds from the MIWSAC Indigenous Person Health and Response Teams Special Initiative for a two-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida plans to utilize this funding to fund a position and provide supportive activities for domestic violence and sexual assault, MMIP, and Human Trafficking;

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 Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition Missing & Murdered Indigenous Person Health and Response Teams Special Initiative for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

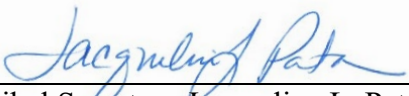
ADOPTED this 30th day of April 2025, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata