



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

Resolution EC 25-67

Title: Alaska Marine Highway Food Accessibility

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, many parts of rural Alaska utilize the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) to get access to health care services, food, and connection to community; and

WHEREAS, travel on the AMHS can range from hours to days; and

WHEREAS, AMHS has a cafeteria available where those on board can purchase food;
and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska manages several nutrition supplemental programs to create access to food, such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Women, Infant and Children Program, and Medicaid, while patients are traveling for health care services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby requests the State of Alaska Department of Health and Department of Transportation explore being able to accept nutrition assistance programs as payment for food on Alaska Marine Highway System vessels.

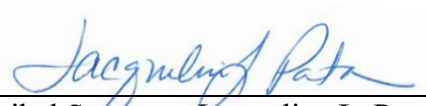
ADOPTED this 16th day of May 2025, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata