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

Resolution EC 25-70

Title: Alaska Marine Highway Hotel Voucher

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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

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

WHEREAS, AMHS has cabins available for rent on most sailings over eight hours; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska manages the Medicaid program; and

WHEREAS, when patients are traveling for health care services the State should authorize the use of Medicaid hotel vouchers to be used as payment for a two berth cabin;

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 Medicaid hotel vouchers as payment on Alaska Marine Highway System vessels for cabins when traveling for health care services.

ADOPTED this 16<sup>th</sup> 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**

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**

  
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Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata