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

Resolution EC 25-81

Title: Authorization to Apply for Regenerative Agriculture Foundation Soil Health Opportunities & Tools Fund

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, promoting and advancing food security remains a priority and is critical to the health of our tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida's food security mission is to develop and supervise traditional food security initiatives through collaboration between tribal programs and external partners; and

WHEREAS, in pursuit of food security, Tlingit & Haida strives to reconnect and strengthen our deep and spiritual bond to the land by normalizing hunting, fishing, and gathering of traditional foods and making them available to all tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, in December 2024, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service had announced a third round of funding under the Local Food Purchase Assistance (LFPA) cooperative agreement; and

WHEREAS, in January, the USDA had allocated \$513,301 to Tlingit & Haida for a one year project; and

WHEREAS, in March, the USDA announced the LFPA had cancelled its program for Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Regenerative Agriculture Foundation (RAF) has announced the Soil Health Opportunities & Tools (SHOT) Fund; and

WHEREAS, this new initiative “aims to fill gaps in conservation funding and put a thumb on the scale to advance the most durable regenerative practices and foster community-led agricultural change”; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$150,000 in funds from the RAF for a one year project, and such funding does not include the full amount of Tlingit & Haida’s federally approved indirect rate, creating a short of \$25,278; and

WHEREAS, such funding will be used to purchase local seafood for distribution to Tribal citizens;

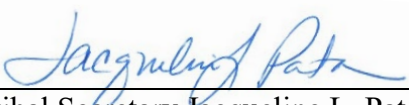
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required by the Regenerative Agriculture Foundation for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

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