

CENTRAL COUNCIL Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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

Resolution EC 25-91

Title: Authorization to Apply for the U.S. Department of Justice Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program - Washington

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 IV 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, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program has announced funding for Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the grant provides funding to enhance the safety of rural victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking by supporting projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Native/American Indian children are disproportionally represented in Alaska's child welfare system and make up 69% of all children in out-of-home placement in the state; and

WHEREAS, the majority of children in out-of-home care enter into the child welfare system due to neglect, a category that includes a high rate of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$500,000 in funds from the U.S. Department of Justice OVW for a three-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida seeks to enhance the child welfare it currently offers to its Washington State tribal citizens, who experience the same disproportionality of child welfare system involvement; and

WHEREAS, with OVW funding, Tlingit & Haida will be able to expand its services and continue to have an in-person presence in Washington State; and

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WHEREAS, the expansion of services facilitated by OVW funding will allow Tlingit & Haida to enhance the protection and well-being of tribal citizens, educate within the court systems about the Tribe, and directly address disparities;

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 U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 17th day of June 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