



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE
CENTRAL COUNCIL OF THE TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 26-26

Title: Authorization to Receive Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for a Policy Education 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, pursuant to 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, Tlingit and Haida peoples are the original stewards of their traditional lands, resources, and waterways; and

WHEREAS, today in Alaska, lands, resources, and waterways are primarily managed by non-tribal government entities, and tribes must engage in various federal management processes; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has invited Tlingit & Haida to submit a proposal to support travel and community engagement in federal subsistence policy meetings and through educational offerings by the University of Alaska Southeast; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to receive up to \$25,000 in funds from the BIA for a one year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, this project will support travel and tuition coverage for education and leadership development initiative designed to strengthen Tribal and youth participation in federal subsistence policy through the Seacoast Indigenous Guardians Network and the Alaska Youth Stewards; and



WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to use this funding to build foundational policy literacy on federal subsistence systems, fish and wildlife management, and environmental review processes, and produce curricula and resources for Tribes and youth programs that include federal process timelines, comment-writing guides, consultation preparation checklists, or youth engagement best practices; and

WHEREAS, this project will contribute to long-term meaningful tribal participation, outreach, intergenerational engagement federal policy arenas like the Federal Subsistence Board, Board of Game and Board of Fish, or the Southeast Regional Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, further, this project will increase youth and Tribal participant confidence in navigating federal subsistence policy, expand the visibility of youth perspectives in federal decision-making, and reinforce intergenerational stewardship networks across Alaska;

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 Bureau of Indian Affairs for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 20th day of February 2026, 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