

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 24-04

Title: Authorization to Apply for U.S. Department of Education Alaska Native Education Program Funding for Construction

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 37,000 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, the U.S. Department of Education has announced funding available from the Alaska Native Education Program (ANEP); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of ANEP is to support innovative projects that recognize and address the unique educational needs of Alaska Natives and the roles that Alaska Native languages and cultures play in the educational success and long-term well-being of Alaska Native students; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida is currently committed to building a 19,000 square foot Early Education Campus in Juneau, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Early Education Campus will house all early education programs, including language immersion and childcare facilities, to deliver culturally relevant education to our tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has site control of the land and has completed 60% of the architectural drawings and is currently shovel ready; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project would work to increase and build student resiliency through greater cultural connectivity, foster emotional support for students, staff and tribal citizens and teach our traditional ways of life, which will lead to greater school success; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tlingit & Haida Early Education Campus will provide a culture-based educational experience serving a full range of Tlingit & Haida students; and

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WHEREAS, the Early Education Campus will be centered on culturally based teaching methods, our Southeast Traditional Tribal Values and have buildings that architecturally draw up southeast native traditions; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$4,500,000 in funds from the U.S. Department of Education, Alaska Native Education Program for a 3-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate;

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 U.S. Department of Education for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed Alaska Native Education Program funding for construction.

ADOPTED this 24th day of January 2024, 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

<u>ATTEST</u>

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata