

## 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 21-04

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

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 32,000 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 partnering with Prince of Wales Island school districts and Brightways Learning in implementing the Achieving Success by Respectfully Targeting Individual Developmental Ecology (ASTRIDE) project to motivate and engage our students into caring connections with school staff, community, tribal members, and elders; and

WHEREAS, the ASTRIDE project is designed to increase our youths' healthy social, emotional, and academic behaviors; and provide opportunities for students to learn and connect traditional Southeast Alaska Native values to the web of support concepts; and

WHEREAS, the Tlingit & Haida, in partnership with current ASTRIDE partners, proposes to develop and implement a project similar in nature to ASTRIDE to create and provide opportunities for youth in Juneau and other Southeast communities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project would work to increase and build student resiliency through greater adult connectivity, and instill emotional support for students, staff and tribal community members and knowledge of Cultural Standards, which will lead to greater school success; and

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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 the U.S. Department of Education for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence.

**CERTIFY** 

President Richard J. Peterson

Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe