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

Resolution EC 21-58

Title: Authorization to Apply for First Nations Development Institute's Native Language Immersion Initiative 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 First Nations Development Institute's Native Language Immersion Initiative is "designed to specifically build the capacity of and support Native language immersion education programs in tribal communities;" and

WHEREAS, the First Nations Development Institute through its Native Language Immersion Initiative will provide up to \$75,000 per award; and

WHEREAS, it is Tlingit & Haida's goal to increase the fluency of intermediate to advanced-level speakers through intergenerational engagement with birth fluent speakers of the three Southeast Alaska indigenous languages; and

WHEREAS, the Haida language, Xaad Kíl, is considered moribund, and revitalization needs are great with only two birth Haida speakers in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida would use funding awarded to support Xaad Kíl immersion;

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 First Nations Development Institute.

ADOPTED this 21st day of October 2021, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe