

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 22-06

Title: Authorization to Apply for State of Alaska Child Care Program Office Phase 2
COVID-19 Child Care Stabilization Grant

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 33,000 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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Little Eagles and Ravens Nest (LEARN) is a state-licensed year-round child care facility operated by Tlingit & Haida that provides high quality early education to children ages 0-6 in a welcoming, creative and culturally-reflective environment, and there are currently 30 children enrolled; and

WHEREAS, LEARN passes on Southeast Traditional Tribal Values and Our Way of Life to the next generation, preserving our culture and providing children with the tools to lead successful and fulfilling lives in accordance with tribal values; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Child Care Program Office (CCPO) in partnership with Thread Alaska, Alaska's Child Care Resource & Referral Network, has announced funding for Phase 2 of the COVID-19 Child Care Stabilization Grant program at an amount of \$1,100 per child enrolled in licensed child care centers; and

WHEREAS, this funding was made possible through the American Rescue Plan Act ARPA as direct relief funding for child care centers, with the CCPO as the lead agency and Thread Alaska as the intermediary for the grant application and distribution, and it does not include funding for Tlingit & Haida's federally-negotiated indirect rate but will not result in a shortfall; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for \$33,000 in funding to support the operation of LEARN, and this funding will allow LEARN to continue providing high quality early education in accordance with tribal values;

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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 State of Alaska Child Care Program Office and Thread Alaska for Phase 2 of the COVID-19 Child Care Stabilization Grant program.

ADOPTED this 25th day of February 2022, 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 Ralph Wolfe