

CENTRAL COUNCIL *Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska* Office of the President • Edward K. Thomas Building 9097 Glacier Highway • Juneau, Alaska 99801

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

Resolution EC 23-19

Title: Commitment to Budgeting for Tlingit & Haida Youth Commission

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 35,000 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 Tlingit & Haida Youth Commission was approved to be established by the Executive Council through EC Resolution 19-30 and by the Marketplace of the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Youth Commission is to function as a working body within Tlingit & Haida as a collective youth voice; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Commission provides an environment where youth can safely learn and practice our Southeast Traditional Tribal Values; the organizational processes of Tlingit & Haida; the interactions of Tribal leadership relations regarding policy development, advocacy for Sovereignty, governance, and issues Alaska Native rights and interests; and

WHEREAS, within the Youth Commission bylaws, it states that the Executive Councils' job is to empower the growth and leadership of the Youth Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Commission is currently being funded through a Navigators grant, and does not have permanent funding sources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska commits to including funding for the Tlingit & Haida Youth Commission in the annual budget appropriations through the Finance Committee for the Tlingit & Haida Youth Commission.

ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023, 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

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata