

## 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 23-26

Title: Authorization to Apply for a U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant

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, Tlingit & Haida is responsible for the public safety of the Southeast region's 30 communities, most of which are not connected by a U.S. highway or road system, and accessible only by air or water; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida seeks to the Public Safety services it offers to the Southeast region and its tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has announced the availability of \$15 million for the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program to enhance: cybersecurity; the protection of soft targets/crowded places; information and intelligence sharing and analysis; combat domestic violence extremism; community preparedness and resilient election security; and

WHEREAS, this funding could be used to increase safety and security of tribal citizens through improved emergency communications and 911 enhancements; and

WHEREAS, Southeast Alaska has incomplete and/or sporadic emergency communications infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$1 million dollars in funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for a three-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate;

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

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023, 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

**ATTEST** 

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata