

## 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 23-61

Title: Authorization to Request Reduction of Head Start Slots & Early Head Start Conversion Request

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

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WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida administers the Head Start program, whose purpose is to promote school readiness by enhancing the social, physical, and cognitive development of children; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has over 40 years of experience serving children and families through Head Start, providing quality early childhood educational services that promote school readiness, grounded in a mission to respectfully nurture families and their children to grow, participate in life with confidence and awareness, and use their strengths to reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida is requesting permission from the Office of Head Start to:

- 1. Convert 20 preschool slots to 8 Early Head Start slots
- 2. Reduce our total funded enrollment from 262 to 182 slots
- 3. Maintain our current level of funding

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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 Office of Head Start for submitting a request to reduce the funded enrollment from 262 to 182 slots, convert slots to Early Head Start, and Maintain Current Level of Funding.

ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 2 absences.

**CERTIFY** 

President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST** 

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata