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

Resolution EC 25-05

Title: Opposition to Proposal 156 to be Considered at the Upcoming Alaska Board of Fisheries Meeting in Ketchikan

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 38,000 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, Southeast Alaska's salmon hatchery programs have operated for almost 50 years, supplementing wild salmon harvests and supporting subsistence, personal use, cultural practices, and recreational fisheries that are vital to sustaining Indigenous ways of life; and

WHEREAS, Proposal 156 seeks to reduce hatchery production of pink and chum salmon by 25%, posing risks to the availability of salmon for food security, traditional practices, cultural continuity, and community resilience; and

WHEREAS, Proposal 156 introduces an additional oversight mechanism that would conflict with the established regulatory framework, disrupting the existing management of hatchery and wild stocks

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida supports the prioritization of wild salmon stocks and defensible limits to hatchery production, and available data does not substantiate the need for a 25% reduction proposed by Proposal 156;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska that strongly opposes Proposal 156, scheduled for consideration at the January 28 - February 9, 2025, Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting in Ketchikan, and urges the Board to reject this proposal as it poses unnecessary risks to salmon availability for food security and Indigenous ways of life.

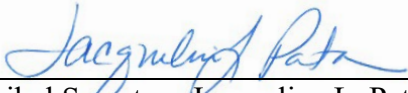
ADOPTED this 24th day of January 2025, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 1 nay, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata