

CENTRAL COUNCIL Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Eighty-Seventh Annual Tribal Assembly April 20-22, 2022 Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA 22-08

Title: Tribal Teacher Certification

By: Anchorage Tlingit & Haida Community Council

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 34,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, our culture has been handed down generationally using our oral traditions, and that information is invaluable as we are rebuilding our culture; and

WHEREAS, many schools require a teacher certificate to be a full-time teacher, and a lack of formal education may be a barrier to those who have knowledge that they wish to share through their cultural stories and ways of being in an educational setting; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida has an opportunity to partner with the State of Alaska in improving education, and creating a process for our culture bearers to be in our schools full-time would be one way to further such a partnership; and

WHEREAS, Alaska and the tribes within Alaska benefit from our governments working together to provide services to our citizens and our communities;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eighty-Seventh Tribal Assembly of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 20-22, 2022, hereby requests Tlingit & Haida to research the opportunities and options to establish a tribal teacher certification to certify tribal citizens.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of April, 2022, by the Eighty-Seventh Tribal Assembly of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY

President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata