



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
*Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska*  
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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA  
Seventy-Ninth Annual Tribal Assembly  
April 9-12, 2014  
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA/ 14-08

Title: Support for the Seattle Tlingit and Haida Community Council as a Political Subdivision

By: Seattle Tlingit and Haida Community Council

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 29,000 tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Tlingit and Haida Community Council (STHCC) is organized under a Constitution approved by the Central Council to form and consolidate as a single entity,

Preamble: The Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, in order to form and consolidate into a single tribal entity, preserve their identity as Indian Tribes and the identity and culture of their members and descendants as Indian people, provide for the exercise of their tribal sovereignty and the government of the property and affairs of the Tribes, and promote the dignity and welfare of the members, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the Central Council; and

WHEREAS, the STHCC provides its own programs, services and outreach to the 5,051 tribal citizens enrolled in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the preamble of the Constitution of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska provides for the exercise of the tribal sovereignty and to promote the dignity and welfare of the tribal citizens.

Preamble: The Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, in order to form a single regional tribal entity, preserve their identity as Indian Tribes and the identity and culture of their tribal member citizens and descendants as Indian people, provide for the exercise of their tribal sovereignty and the government of the property and affairs of the Tribes, and promote the dignity and welfare of the tribal member citizens, do ordain and to establish this Constitution of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution further provides for the Central Council to delegate governmental and proprietary functions to the Community Councils.

**ARTICLE VII. POWERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TRIBE**

**Section 1.** The governing body of the Central Council shall be comprised of the Tribal Assembly of delegates, and, consistent with the terms of this Constitution, the Executive Council. The governing body of the Central Council shall possess sovereign and plenary power to legislate for and to govern, conduct and manage the affairs and property of the Tribe, including, without limitation, the following:

- h. To consult with and advise any and all persons, officers and entities, public and private, concerning subjects and matters affecting the interests of the Tribe.
- j. To authorize and approve constitutions for Community Councils and to delegate to such Community Councils such governmental and proprietary functions as the Central Council shall determine under such rules and regulations and subject to such limitations and conditions as the Central Council shall prescribe; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution provides under Article VII, Section three, allows the Central Council to charter or authorize and provide for the organization of subordinate groups or entities to perform governmental proprietary and revenue-raising enterprise functions for the Tribe and its member citizens.

**Section 3.** The Central Council, through either the Tribal Assembly or the Executive Council, may charter or otherwise authorize and provide for the organization of subordinate groups or entities to perform governmental, proprietary and revenue-raising enterprise functions for the Tribe and its member citizens, and to delegate to such subordinate groups or entities such powers as it shall determine under such rules and regulations and subject to such limitations and conditions as it shall prescribe.

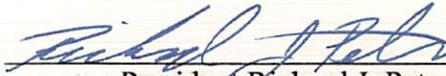
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seventy-Ninth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 9-12, 2014, hereby directs the President to take such actions as may be necessary to support the STHCC application for approval as a Political Subdivision of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the STHCC shall not compete with Central Council for award of any program funding from the federal government; and

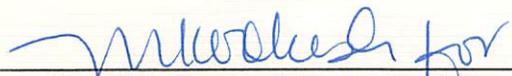
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska authorizes and empowers the Seattle Tlingit and Haida Community Council to advocate and provide for public and/or tribal citizen involvement with governmental entities, tribal institution organizations, and meetings that affect tribal citizens.

ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014, by the Seventy-Ninth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

**CERTIFY**

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**

  
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Tribal Secretary Jolene Edenshaw