



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
*Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska*  
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Executive Council of the Central Council  
TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC/ 15-31

Title: Boycott of FedEx Services Due to Association with Washington Redskins

WHEREAS, Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally recognized tribe of nearly 30,000 tribal citizens worldwide; and

WHEREAS, FedEx owns the naming rights to a stadium in Maryland until 2026 where the Washington Redskins, a National Football League (NFL) team, plays; and

WHEREAS, the football team uses a name that is a racial slur tracing back to colonial times when colonies, as well as fur and other trading companies, paid bounties on a sliding scale for bloody skins of Native men, women, and children, who were traded like animal hides where the only way distinction could be made among the human hides were by bounty hunters producing the whole red skins or the “scalps”, a euphemistic term for the genitalia; and

WHEREAS, the term did not describe actions that honored Native American peoples then and still connotes racism and genocide today for Native American peoples and for others who know it is wrong to characterize people by the color of their skin, especially for public sport; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Council is especially troubled FedEx continues its marketing partnership with this NFL team and its promotion of a dehumanizing name.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Executive Council hereby opposes the NFL team name; and

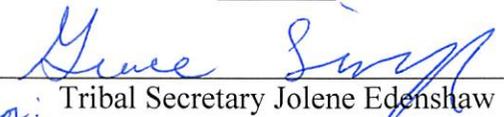
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Executive Council hereby authorizes Central Council to boycott use of all FedEx services until it discontinues its marketing partnership with the NFL franchise.

ADOPTED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2015, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence(s).

CERTIFY

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

  
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for: Tribal Secretary Jolene Edenshaw