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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA
Eighty-Fourth Annual Tribal Assembly
April 10-12, 2019
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA 19-06

Title: Request the State of Alaska to Adequately Fund University of Alaska for FY20

By: Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 31,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida prioritizes the need of a college education for our tribally enrolled citizens; and

WHEREAS, based on the 2018 Alaska Higher Education Almanac, the enrollment of Alaska Native/American Indian students is at 6% at University of Alaska Anchorage, 13% at University of Alaska Fairbanks, and 9% at University of Alaska Southeast; and

WHEREAS, the average earnings for college graduates increased faster than wages of non-graduates over ten years; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2019 Alaska Higher Education Almanac the graduation rate for Alaska college students ranked 50 of 50 states, with 30.6% graduating in four/six years compared to the national mean of 41.4% and the University of Alaska Southeast is at 17.3%; and

WHEREAS, the funding reduction proposed in the FY2020 Governor's Budget further jeopardizes the adequacy of our tribal students college education and thereby reduces tribal citizens' ability to increase average earnings and jeopardizes the economic sustainability of our communities and the State;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eighty-Fourth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 10-12, 2019, hereby petitions the Governor and Legislature of the State of Alaska to invest in the State's future wage earners and economic viability by fully funding the State's public secondary educational institution, University of Alaska for FY 2020.

ADOPTED this 11th day of April 2019, by the Eighty-Fourth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe