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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA
Eighty-Sixth Annual Tribal Assembly
October 1, 2021
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA 21-05

Title: Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Pediatric Services

By: Juneau 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 32,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, in Juneau it is estimated there are 2,127 Alaska Native children, which is about one quarter of the total population, and given that high percentage of youth, one could deduct that children are a high percentage of those receiving services from Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) at the Ethel Lund Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, pediatrics services – which is the specialty of medical science concerned with the physical, mental, and social health of children from birth to young adulthood – are essential to their wellbeing, and these services encompass a broad spectrum of health services ranging from preventive health care to the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases, and unfortunately many of these services are not provided in Juneau but only by travel to Sitka, Anchorage or Seattle; and

WHEREAS, given the population data and the growth of younger families in the Juneau area, it would behoove SEARHC to expand the equipment, supplies, and health professionals to address the pediatric needs locally without the added expense and trauma of travel for families;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eighty-Sixth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened October 1, 2021, hereby requests that Tlingit & Haida request SEARHC to evaluate the pediatric service needs in the Juneau area and implement a plan to address these growing needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida will report on outcome and progress of this resolution at the next Tribal Assembly.

ADOPTED this 1st day of October 2021, by the Eighty-Sixth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe