



CENTRAL COUNCIL
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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 22-01

Title: Explore Participation in the Integrated Public Alert & Warning System

By: Seattle 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, Alaska has the highest number of missing indigenous persons of any state in the nation, with 292 as of August 2021, a statistic that is more than 3.5 times that of the state with the second highest number of missing indigenous persons, Oklahoma, which has 79 missing indigenous persons; and

WHEREAS, those who have loved ones that go missing report that going to law enforcement is difficult as there are barriers to reporting someone as missing, causing delays in the process, which may result in critical time being lost; and

WHEREAS, the Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS) is a free internet-based tool that tribal officials can use to issue public alerts and warnings, such as missing person alerts and health safety alerts, to their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, IPAWS allows tribes the capability to deliver a single alert simultaneously through multiple communication pathways, reaching as many people as possible to save lives and protect property; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center is working with regions and tribes on developing IPAWS systems and programs, may have small start-up funding available for eligible services, can provide webinars and/or information, and can assist with collaboration with communities;

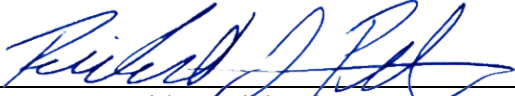
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eighty-Seventh Tribal Assembly of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened April 20-22, 2022, hereby request that Tlingit & Haida explore participation in the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) by requesting Tlingit & Haida contact the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center within 30 days; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida shall provide information about IPAWS and how tribes can participate in IPAWS in the Tribal Newsletter; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that, as appropriate and necessary, the Violence Against Women Task Force shall be invited to meetings exploring IPAWS.

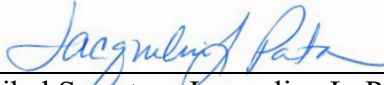
ADOPTED this 20th day of April, 2022, by the Eighty-Seventh Tribal Assembly of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata