



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA  
Eighty-Fifth Annual Tribal Assembly  
October 1, 2020  
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA 20-16

Title: Request for Increased Funding for the Alaska Marine Highway System

By: Sitka 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, due to the historical cuts to the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS), service to Sitka is grossly inadequate and disproportionately and negatively affects Sitka in comparison to other southeast communities; and

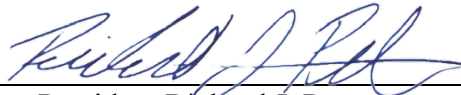
WHEREAS, southeast residents, both Alaska Native and non-Native, depend on the AMHS ferries to bring them to Sitka, which is a regional hub for health care, and to take them to a higher level of care, especially those who are unable to fly; and

WHEREAS, limited ferry service negatively affects commerce, and Sitka is the fifth largest city in Alaska – once a week service is deplorable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eighty-Fifth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened on October 1, 2020, hereby requests increased funding for the Alaska Marine Highway System for necessary improved service to our communities.

ADOPTED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2020, by the Eighty-Fifth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

**CERTIFY**



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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**



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Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe