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Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA
Seventy-Ninth Annual Tribal Assembly
April 9-12, 2014
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA/ 14-31

Title: United Tribal Transboundary Mining Workgroup

By: Ketchikan Tlingit and Haida Community Council

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 29,000 tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, the transboundary rivers of the Northwest British Columbia/Southeast Alaska Region, including the Taku, Stikine, and Unuk are of tremendous and unique ecological, subsistence, cultural, and recreational value and the clean water and intact habitat of these river systems are some of the most productive wild salmon rivers on the entire west coast of North America; and

WHEREAS, a transboundary mining meeting was held in Craig, Alaska in March 2014 and a work group was formed to become more proactive on mining issues and to re-establish relationships across the Canadian/United States border to form a collaborative strategy on the rapid large-scale developments on the transboundary watersheds; and

WHEREAS, the work group currently consists of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Craig Tribal Association, Douglas Indian Association, Hydaburg Cooperative Association, Ketchikan Tlingit and Haida Community Council, Ketchikan Indian Community, Klawock Cooperative Association, Metlakatla Indian Community, Organized Village of Kasaan, Organized Village of Saxman, and Wrangell Cooperative Association.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seventy-Ninth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 9-12, 2014, hereby supports the work group to become more proactive on mining issues and to re-establish relationships across the Canadian/United States border to form a collaborative strategy on the rapid large-scale developments on the transboundary watersheds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, action needs to be taken that includes but is not limited to government-to-government engagement with the US Department of State to enhance our stewardship obligations for future generations.

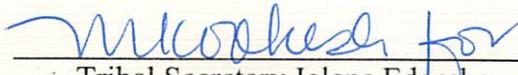
ADOPTED this 12th day of April 2014, by the Seventy-Ninth Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jolene Edenshaw