



PLACE: Atlin, BC

JURISDICTION: Taku River Tlingit First Nation Government

DATE:

JOINT CLAN MANDATE #:

RE: ...

Whereas: TRTFN since time immemorial has held sacred the responsibility for the decision-making of its clans and citizenship and never relinquished this responsibility through any form of agreement with colonial governments of Canada, British Columbia or Yukon.

Whereas: The Taku River Tlingit First Nation passed by unanimous consent on June 30, 1987, the TRTFN Membership Code.

Whereas: The current 1987 TRTFN Membership Code requires a revision annually, and one has never been successfully completed.

Whereas: The need for these revisions has been identified through a revision effort that took place in the early 2000's, as well as JCM mandates requiring this work to be completed in 2011, 2017, and 2021. In all of these mandates, specific areas of the code which are proving detrimental to our Nations survival and function, have been recognized.

Whereas: The current Membership system and data are relying on an outdated process. The need is clear to create more efficient and modernized financial and administrative processes regarding housing, health, and education, which rely upon accurate and updated membership information.

Whereas: Taku River Tlingit people are currently not being recognized as Citizens in our Membership Code due to its outdated and colonial systems. The steady decline of TRT citizenship numbers is a historical and current issue that will be resolved by a revision of our Code, thereby ensuring the recognition and survival of our nation through allowing new citizens to be added to our citizenship.

Whereas: The current Membership Code states that "The Citizenship Commission shall be established" without any direction as to how. The Citizenship Code Revision Project sent a call out for Citizens to volunteer to represent their clans, for this work to continue. Appointed members have completed the proposed revised Code, as per the direction of the 1987 Code, ensuring Tlingit members are leading this important work.

Therefore, be it Resolved: Taku River Tlingit First Nation passes the 2026 revised TRTFN Citizenship Code created by the Citizenship Commission that is to be reviewed annually and subsequent to further revisions as a result of those reviews.

Therefore, be it Resolved: Taku River Tlingit First Nation passes the revised code created by the Citizenship Commission with the following sections subject to further revision and to be brought back to a future JCM.

Section 5.0 (Honorary Citizen Criteria)

Section 6.0 (Honorary Citizen Privileges)

Section 7.0 (Adoptions)



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Section 12.0 (Citizenship Withdrawal and Termination)

Therefore, be it Resolved: The TRTFN Clan Directors Council is mandated to have the aforementioned sections and any other revisions created by the Citizenship Commission on the agenda at the Fall 2026 or spring 2027 JCM for TRTFN approval.

And be it further Resolved: That the Citizenship Commission be formally recognized at this JCM and future participants will be JCM appointed.

Moved by: ...

Seconded by: ...

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS,

Charmaine Thom, Spokesperson