

[Village Corporation or Tribe]

Resolution _____

Title: Authorizing Sealaska Corporation to Seek Repatriation of [Object and accession number]

WHEREAS [Village Corporation or Tribe] has learned that the [Name of Museum] collection includes the [Name of object and accession number], which is culturally affiliated with [Name of kwáan or village] region; and

WHEREAS [Village Corporation or Tribe] and Sealaska Corporation each have standing pursuant to the terms of the Native American Graves Protection Act.

WHEREAS under the terms and definition of NAGPRA, the [Name of object and accession number] is an object of cultural patrimony which has ongoing historical traditional and cultural importance central to the Tlingit and is not property owned by an individual and is a sacred object which is important and needed by the Tlingit religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by the present day adherents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that [Village Corporation or Tribe] authorizes Sealaska Corporation represented by the Sealaska Heritage Institute to initiate a repatriation claim [Name of object and accession number] which is culturally affiliated with the [Kwáan or Village] and to act on our behalf in the repatriation process with the stipulation that the title of ownership will be transferred to the [Village Corporation or Tribe].

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that [Village Corporation or Tribe] endorsement of this resolution does not waive its rights and privileges afforded under the traditional laws and or the laws of the United States, including NAGPRA.

Adopted this Date: _____

President _____

Secretary _____