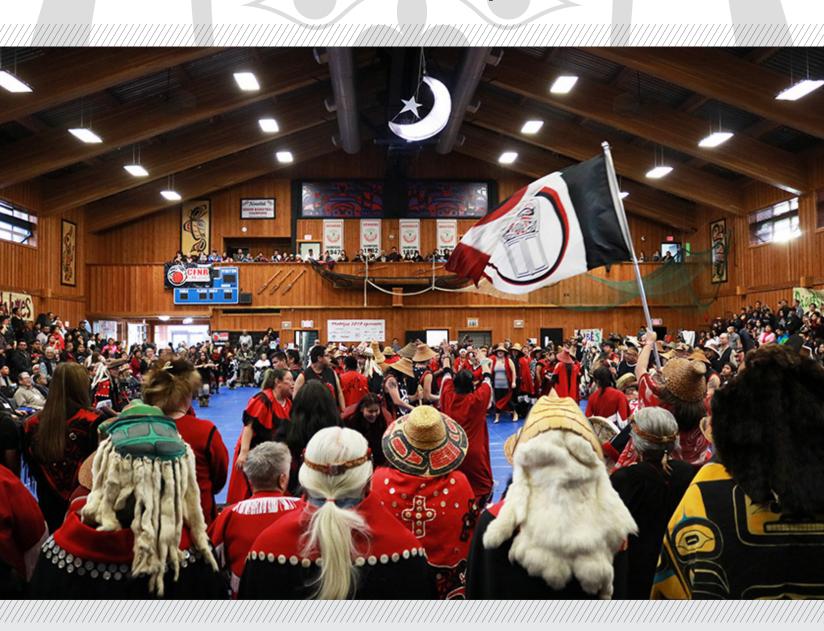
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President's Message



I would like to extend the greetings of the New Year to all. I extend best wishes to the bereaved families throughout the nation. The year behind us has been trying; let us keep our people in our prayers.

This new year is a chance to take a look at ourselves. How have we been doing? What have we accomplished? Where do we want to go? And specifically for the Nisga'a Lisims Government: are we aligned with our responsibilities as a government?

But even as we are mindful of our challenges, we are looking forward to the events of 2019. Hoobiyee, the Nisga'a New Year, was an extra special occasion this year. We were pleased to invite representatives from the Tahltan Nation to join our festivities in Gingolx in celebration of our nations' Memorandum of Understanding. There is a long history between the Nisga'a and the Tahltan, so affirming the peace treaty between our

nations was significant. The Nisga'a dance groups that performed put a lot of efforts into their preparations – thank you for your hard work. And thank you to everyone that was able to attend!

I also want to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of all Nisga'a basketball teams that attended the 60th annual All Native Basketball Tournament in Prince Rupert this February and we extend our best wishes to all of the Nisga'a Youth basketball teams that will be participating in the Junior All Native Basketball Tournament in Kitimat. Si'aamhl wilsim!

As we head into spring, please pay attention to the weather reports as melting and freezing snow and ice can cause dangerous driving conditions. Don't forget to know before you go and check www.drivebc.ca!

Nisga'a Leaders meet with Federal Finance Minister Morneau



The Nisga'a Lisims Government and 20 fellow Self-Governing Indigenous Governments (SGIG's) had a series of meetings with federal officials with respect to the Collaborative Fiscal Policy Development Process in Ottawa the week of January 7, 2019



President Eva Clayton, Secretary-Treasurer Corinne McKay and Chairperson Brian Tait were among many elected leaders of the SGIG's who met with Finance Minister Bill Morneau. Work on the fiscal policy began in May 2016 and is ongoing. The meeting with Minister Morneau was a very positive step in the right direction for SGIG's in finalizing the approval of the policy by Cabinet.

"It represents the first time that a federal policy has been developed collaboratively with the Indigenous peoples that it will affect", said President Clayton.

"Developing a funding model based on our actual expenditure need, and tied to the responsibilities outlined in our agreement, will enable the Nisga'a Nation to work effectively and efficiently to improve the wellbeing of our people," concluded President Clayton.

The federal Cabinet approvals process is currently underway with a target completion date of December 15. Six annexes crucial to the policy are under review and subject to cabinet

approval include: Governance, Interim Fiscal Capacity, Social Well-being, Culture, Language and Heritage, Life Cycle Infrastructure and Lands and Resources.

Nisga'a Leaders present to Senate on Bill C-48

Bill C-48, the Oil Tanker Moratorium Act - proposed federal legislation to ban oil tanker traffic off the coast of British Columbia is currently in second reading in the Senate.

President Eva Clayton, Chairperson Brian Tait, Secretary-Treasurer Corinne McKay and CEO Collier Azak had the opportunity to present the position of the Nisga'a Lisims Government to the Senate in Ottawa the week of December 3.

"This bill offends the spirit of our treaty with Canada and B.C., which commits all parties to work towards greater economic independence for the Nisga'a people", said President Clayton in a March 13, 2018 Vancouver Sun Op Ed.

While there are no current projects proposed within Nisga'a Lands, President Clayton believes the proposed moratorium prevents the Nisga'a Nation from considering future projects consistent with environmental protection provisions of the Nisga'a Treaty.



"Our government is committed to creating an economic base that meets the requirements of our Treaty. We owe it to our people and their futures to preserve the opportunity to have different economic development options available to us." concluded Clayton.



Nisga'a Leaders Participate in Canada – Modern Treaty and Self-Governing First Nation Forum with Prime Minister Trudeau



President Eva Clayton was among many First Nations leaders from across Canada to address Prime Minister Justin Trudeau in the second annual 'Canada – Modern Treaty and Self-Governing First Nations Forum' in Ottawa on January 8, 2019.

Despite a slight delay due to anti-pipeline protestors, organizers were quick to implement plan B to ensure the second annual Forum went as it had been carefully planned over several months.

As the First Nations Co-Chair on the Land Claims Agreement Coalition, President Clayton provided opening remarks that set the stage for the discussions on priorities for action on reconciliation that the modern treaty and self-governing leaders addressed.



Among the many important issues that the leaders addressed with the Prime Minister and his cabinet colleagues included:

- 1. A Modern Treaty Implementation Policy: since the Coalition was established in 2003, it has been lobbying the Government of Canada to adopt a comprehensive Modern Treaty Implementation Policy
- 2. The establishment of a Modern Treaty Implementation Review Commission in the Office of the Auditor General
- 3. A non-derogation clause in the Interpretation Act
- 4. Negotiation loans reimbursement: The Nisga'a Nation dutifully completed full repayment of it's \$84M Treaty Loan to the Federal Government in May 2014 and is now keeping the Prime Minister to his commitment of full reimbursement in its entirety.
- 5. Distinctions based approach

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President Clayton was accompanied by Secretary-Treasurer Corinne McKay, Executive Chairperson Brian Tait, Gitwinksihlkw Chief Councillor Charles Morven, General Counsel Jim Aldridge and Director of Communications Bobby Clark.

For more information about President Clayton's remarks, please visit the NLG website, nisgaanation.ca

Tahltan - Nisga'a leadership meet to re-affirm alliance



Tahltan President Chad Norman Day, Vice President Heather Hawkins and other Tahltan Central Government senior officials were welcomed to Nisga'a Lands by the NLG Executive on December 20, 2018.

The meeting was a first official meeting since the Tahltan – Nisga'a Memorandum of Understanding signing in Gitlaxt'aamiks on May 3, 2016, which further re-affirmed the historic 1898 peace treaty between the two Nations at Treaty Rock.

The Tahltan and Nisga'a Government's also expressed a mutual desire to collaborate on the development of a partnership to solidify provisions of the MOU with respect to employment, training, contracting and subcontracting initiatives of Nisga'a and Tahltan citizens.

President Clayton and President Day committed to further meetings in the new year including a further reaffirmation celebration at Hoobiyee in Gingolx in February.

The Gitwinksihlkw Salvation Army Food Share

The Gitwinksihlkw Salvation Army Food Share works in the spirit of Sayt K'il'im Goot to provide assistance and relief to the residents of the Nass Valley. "The Food Share is similar to a Food Bank, but is culturally sensitive to the Nisga'a Nation," says Pastor Damien Azak, who runs the Food Share along with his wife, Erica.

The Food Share felt the effects of the holiday season in December and needed extra assistance to keep up with the demand, which often increases with the colder weather. Donations were greatly appreciated to help meet the needs of the valley residents.

When NLG posted on the website about the need for food donations in the Nass, CFNR radio reached out and along with NLG, sponsored a food drive at the Terrace Safeway in December. The drive was very successful, with over \$1600 in cash donations along with three shopping carts full of food donations. A sincere thank you to everyone that donated!

If you would like to access the Food Share, it is open to all 4 communities in the Nisga'a Nation. The opening schedule is set at the

beginning of each season. Any changes are announced on the Facebook page if there is a need to alter the schedule for that week. No booking is needed. For donors, non-perishable food items are preferred, along with items such as diapers or toiletries, but cash donations are also accepted. As a non-profit organization, tax receipts are issued for any cash donation above \$10. To make a donation, please arrange with Pastor Azak via Facebook, telephone (250-633-2488 or 250-631-2270) or email (damian_azak@can.salvationarmy.org)



Prince Rupert Nisga'a Society Water Filtration System

The City of Prince Rupert issued a boil water notice on December 14, 2018, due to high levels of water-borne parasites in the city's water supply. At the beginning of last week, the notice was still in effect.

Obtaining sufficient potable water can be a challenge, especially for those with limited mobility. As such, the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Prince Rupert/Port Edward Society requested funding from the Nisga'a Lisims Government to purchase and install a commercial grade reverse osmosis filtration station at the Gitmaxmak'ay Hall in Prince Rupert, along with a supply of large water jugs for rotation among the elders and any who need extra assistance.

NLG's executive met over January 23-24 and were pleased to grant funding to the Gitmaxmak'ay Society to ease the burden on the Nisga'a in Prince Rupert/Port Edward. It was also noted that the system would be useful for any future emergency situations.

As of January 25, the boil water advisory was downgraded to a water quality advisory notice, however, the sorthcoming filtration station will still be a key resource for Nisga'a in the Prince Rupert/Port Edward area.

Council of Elders take Oath of Office at the NLG Executive Meeting



On December 20, 2018, the newly appointed Council of Elders took Oath of Office at the NLG Executive meeting and was administered by the Chairperson of the Council of Elders, Sim'oogit N'iisyuus, Willard Martin.

In accordance with section 44(3) of the Act, the President recommends the following individuals for appointment to the Council of Elders for the 2018-2020 term:

Regular Members:

Sim'oogit HLEEK - Dr. Joseph Gosnell, Sr., Gitlaxt'aamiks - Laxsgiik Sim'oogit DAAXAN - Perry Azak, Gitwinksihlkw - Gisk'aast Sim'oogit WISIN XBIL'TKW - Andrew Mercer, Laxgalts'ap - Gisk'aast Sim'oogit Sim'oogidim Xsgaak - Alvin E. Nelson, Gingolx - Laxsgiik

Alternate Members:

Sim'oogit Axgwindaskw - Jeffery Clifford Azak, Gitlaxt'aamiks - Laxgibuu Sim'oogit Laay - Hubert Haldane, Laxgalts'ap - Laxsgiik Sigidim-nak' Luu Sgadaks - Jennifer Haldane, Laxgalts'ap - Laxgibuu Sigidim-nak' K'allii-Xsootkw - Nancy Moore, Laxgalts'ap - Ganada

The Council is established pursuant to the Constitution of the Nisga'a Nation and the Nisga'a Government Act to nurture the spirit of the Nisga'a Nation; provide guidance to interpretation of the Ayuuk; and advise Nisga'a Government on matters relating to the traditional values of the Nisga'a Nation.

Sim'oogit Daaxan takes oath of office for Council of Elders



On January 23, 2019, the first order of business of the NLG Executive meeting was a swearing-in ceremony for Sim'oogit Daaxan, Perry Azak, from the Nisga'a Village of Gitwinksihlkw BC, will serve until 2020. Perry took oath of office as a regular member for the Council of Elders which was conducted by COE Chairperson, Simoogit Niis Yuus, Willard Martin, both pictured above.

Hoobiyee 2019 - Nisga'a and Tahltan Nation to Nation Alliance



Representatives from the Tahltan Nation joined the Nisga'a Nation in the village of Gingolx on February 22, 2019.

The Tahltan were invited as guests to the Nisga'a Hoobiyee festivities to celebrate the long-standing alliance between the Nisga'a and Tahltan Nations. This alliance was formalized by a signing ceremony that signified commitment to continue implementing the guiding principles of the 2016 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Those guiding principles include employment, training, contracting and subcontracting initiatives of Nisga'a and Tahltan citizens.

NLG Executive Chairperson Brian Tait acted as emcee for the event. Dr. Joseph Gosnell spoke about the long history of the Tahltan-Nisga'a alliance, from the peace treaty signed at Treaty Rock in 1898 to the MOU signed in 2016. Iskut Chief Marie Quock, Tahltan Chief Rick McLean and President of the Tahltan Nation Chad Day addressed the crowd, along with remarks from Nisga'a Nation President Eva Clayton and Secretary-Treasurer Corinne McKay.

Both Nations performed traditional dances and gifts were exchanged. The Nisga'a Nation was pleased to host the Tahltan - hoobiyee!



Hoobiyee 2019 - Nisga'a and Tahltan Nation to Nation Alliance





NLG & Village Governments Community Consultations





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PUBLIC NOTICE

Nisga'a Lisims Government & the Nisga'a Village Governments Community Consultation Presentation of Nisga'a Language & Culture Revitalization Plan

The Interim Nisga'a Language and Culture Authority for the Nisga'a Lisims Government will be facilitating Community Consultations

Dates, times and locations: (a light snack will be provided for each session)

DATE	TIME	COMMUNITY	ADDRESS
March 11, 2019	6-9 pm	Gitwinksihlkw	Gitwinksihlkw Village Gov Board rm
March 12, 2019	6 -9pm	Gitlaxt'aamiks	Gitmidiik Auditorium
March 16, 2019	12:noon- 3:30	Vancouver	Vancouver Friendship Centre
March 23, 2019	6 –9 pm	Pr. Rupert/Port Ed	Nisga'a Hall
March 25, 2019	6 - 9 pm	Terrace	Terrace Office Board Room
April 1, 2019	6-9 pm	Gingolx	Gingolx Church Army
April 3, 2019	6-9 pm	La <u>xg</u> alts'ap	Laxgalts'ap Rec Centre Cafeteria

For further information on the consultation meetings, please contact either of the following at 1-866-633-0888 or via email:

Sheila Azak, Language Coordinator, Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department- sheilaa@nisgaa.net Maxine Azak, Administrative Assistant, Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department – maxinea@nisgaa.net

Nisga'a Child & Family Services - Community Consultations



Nisga'a Child & Family Services Community Consults

You are invited to a Community Dinner hosted by Nisga'a Child & Family Services!

These are open meetings to discuss Child & Family services that are provided to our families. The key purpose is to provide an update on NCFS receiving full delegation and to improve on the services NCFS are providing in the communities.

Please join us for the meal! Your participation is important and will help our team identify any difficulties in delivering services. There will be door prizes and good food!

Date	Location
April 2	Prince Rupert Nisga'a Hall 860 3 Avenue West
April 8	Gitla <u>x</u> t'aamiks Gitmikdiik Auditorium 5216 Tait Avenue
April 9	Gitwinksihlkw GVG Boardroom 3004 Ts'oohl Ts'ap Avenue

Date	Location
April 15	La <u>xg</u> alts'ap LCC Cafeteria 441 Church Avenue
April 16	Gingolx Wilp Sayt K'il'im Goot (WSKG) 301 Front Street

All Dates & Locations:

5:00pm: Meet & Greet

5:30pm: Dinner

6:30pm: Meeting Begins



Nisga'a Lisims Government

Sayt-K'ilim-Goot one heart, one path, one nation

The KSM Project: A proposed gold copper mine in northwest B.C.

Seabridge Gold Inc. has 100 percent ownership of KSM Mining ULC, holder of the KSM Project (Kerr-Sulphurets-Mitchell Project). The KSM Project is a proposed gold, copper, silver and molybdenum mine, located 65 kilometers northwest of Stewart, BC and 160 kilometers northwest from New Aiyansh. The Project includes the Kerr, Sulphurets, Mitchell and Iron Cap deposits. To date, Seabridge has spent \$258 million on exploration, engineering and environmental work to move the Project forward. Approximately 80 percent, or about \$206M, of this spending has been in BC.

In 2014, the KSM Project received environmental approvals from both the Provincial and the Federal governments. The Project also received early-stage construction permits for camps, roads and site preparation work in 2015. Seabridge Gold was pleased to work with the Nisga'a Nation during the environmental approval and permitting processes and continues to collaborate with Nisga'a representatives, as the Project development continues.



While construction has not yet started, Seabridge has employed several Nisga'a citizens for various activities including environmental fieldwork, logging, and other contracted work throughout this period. Once construction begins, the number of available employment opportunities will increase. An average of approximately 1,552* direct jobs will be available during its five-year construction and an average of approximately 1,407* direct jobs during operations.

KSM currently has reserves of 2.2 billion tonnes of ore grading 0.55 g/t gold and 0.21 percent copper. These reserves translate into a 52-year mine life at 130,000 tonnes per day. The company is currently seeking a major mining company as its joint venture partner who will take the Project into construction.

The KSM Update: Highlights of 2018

In 2018, Seabridge Gold's exploration program at the Iron Cap deposit generated exceptional results. Consequently, Iron Cap has now become one of the best deposits, not only for its superior grade but also due to its proximity to proposed infrastructure.

During the summer of 2018, a small-scale logging program was implemented at the site in preparation for a permanent year-round camp to support ongoing exploration and facilitate prompt commencement of much larger work programs required to advance the Project into construction. Several Nisga'a people assisted with this short-term employment opportunity at KSM.

Additionally, Seabridge Gold continued to work on technical studies, including the Independent Geotechnical Review Board (IGRB) work, with the release of Report 3 in 2018. The IGRB was formed to provide independent, expert oversight, opinion and advice to Seabridge on the design, construction, operational management and ultimate closure of the mine and related facilities. The IGRB has unimpeded access to all technical data necessary to enable them to assess KSM's water and tailings management on an ongoing basis to ensure that structures meet internationally accepted standards and practices which effectively minimize risks to employees, lands and communities. The reports are available at www.ksmproject.com.

Looking Forward to 2019

The KSM Project team is gearing up for the 2019 exploration season. Currently, the KSM team is working on updating the resource estimate for the Iron Cap deposit. These exploration results have the potential to improve KSM's economics thereby adding to the overall benefits of the Project. In 2019, in conjunction with the exploration work, geophysical studies and environmental monitoring programs are also planned.

KSM and the Nisga'a Nation

In 2014, Seabridge Gold and the Nisga'a Nation entered into a Benefits Agreement establishing a long-term relationship between Seabridge and the Nisga'a Nation. As part of this Agreement, the Nisga'a Nation will participate in economic benefits from KSM, receive educational and training funding, have a role in settling Project details and standards and contribute towards the development of the Project. Seabridge Gold and representatives from the Nisga'a Nation continue to meet regularly to discuss updates to the KSM Project and to ensure open and transparent communication.

Student Bursaries: As part of Seabridge's ongoing commitment to the local communities in northwest British Columbia, Seabridge Gold created an annual postsecondary student bursary program to assist students from northwest BC including the Nisga'a Nation to further their education and skills training. A total of 11 Nisga'a students have received funding as part of this program. The winter round for the bursary program will open on January 31, 2019 and submissions will close on February 15, 2019. See our website for further information www.ksmproject.com.



In addition, as part of the Nisga'a and Seabridge Gold Impact Benefits Agreement, an education funding program has been set up to assist students to pursue post-secondary training. Contact Nisga'a Employment, Skills & Training (NEST) to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

Seabridge Gold is pleased to provide this update to the Nisga'a Nation. We look forward to continuing to build upon our working relationship. Please contact our Smithers Office to request additional information or if you have any questions.

*All economic figures have been updated to reflect the most recent and best available data (early 2018) on the KSM Project.



Learn More About the KSM Project



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Resolution 2018/ 137/ December 19, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting, dated December 19 & 20, 2018 as presented.

Resolution 2018/139/ December 19, 2018

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for November 21, 22 & 23, 2018 as presented.

Resolution 2018/140/ December 19, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to Executive resolution 2016 / 91, the Nisga'a Nation entered a partnership between Carleton University and the Universite Laval-the latter university working in conjunction with members of the Land Claims Agreement Coalition -for the purpose of carrying out research under a Partnership Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada ("SSHRC");

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT Bobby Clark and Adam Perry of Nisga'a Lisims Government are the Nisga'a liaisons for the SSHRC project and coleads for the intergovernmental relations research theme with Martin Papillon, Professor of Political Science at Universite de Montreal, as outlined in the briefing materials that have been provided to Executive:

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government

- 1. express its support for the research outlined in the briefing materials, and
- 2. authorize Mr. Clark, Mr. Perry and their team to conduct interviews and access archived documents and any other relevant material that the Nisga'a Nation may share for the purpose of carrying out this research.

Resolution 2018/ 141/ December 19, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT under section 44(3) of the Nisga' a Government Act (the "Act"), the President of Nisga' a Lisims Government has provided to the Nisga' a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") a list of names of persons whom the President recommends for appointment to the Council of Elders; and under section 44(4) of the Act, the Executive must, from the list provided by the President, appoint four regular members and four alternate members of the Council of Elders and designate the alternate members as alternates for particular regular members;

MOVED THAT:

- 1. under section 44(4)(a) of the Act, the Executive reappoint the following persons as regular members of the Council of Elders, each for a term of office to commence when he/she takes take the oath of office following this appointment and to expire when any member of the Council who is appointed under sect ion 44(4) in November of 2020 takes the oath of office:
- Dr. Joseph Gosnell, Gitlaxt'aamiks (Laxsgiik)
- Perry Azak, Gitwinksihlkw (Gisk'aast)
- Andrew Mercer, Laxgalts'ap (Gisk'aast)
- Alvin E. Nelson, Gingolx (Laxsgiik)
- 2. under section 44(4)(a) of the Act, the Executive appoint the following persons as alternate members of the Council of Elders, each for a term to commence when he or she takes take the oath of office following this appointment and to expire

when any member of the Council who is appointed under section 44(4) in November of 2020 takes the oath of office:

- J. Clifford Azak, Gitlaxt'aamiks (Laxgibuu)
- Hubert Haldane, Laxgalts'ap (Laxsgiik)
- Jennifer Haldane, Laxgalts'ap (Laxgibuu)
- Nancy Moore, Laxgalts'ap (Ganada)
- 3. under section 44(4)(b) of the Nisga'a Government Act, the Executive designate:
- J. Clifford Azak as the alternate member for regular Council member Perry Azak
- Hubert Haldane as the alternate member for regular Council member Dr. Joseph Gosnell
- Jennifer Haldane as the alternate member for regular Council member Alvin E. Nelson, and
- Nancy Moore as the alternate member for regular Council member Andrew Mercer.

Resolution 2018/ 142/ December 19, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Programs and Services has applied on behalf of Nisga'a Child and Family Services for funding in the amount of \$50,400.00 from the First Nations Health Authority (Jordan's Principle Implementation) in order to contract a Speech and Language Pathologist who will serve the needs of the children from nursery to post secondary of the Nisga' a Nation:

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the authorization of the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") is required to complete the application process; MOVED THAT the Executive approve the application for funding to, and approve the release of funds from, the First Nations Health Authority in amount of \$50,400.00.

Resolution 2018/143/ December 19, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT

A. the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive may, under section 236(1) of the Nisga'a Land Title Act (the "Act"), make regulations it considers advisable for the purposes of the Act;

- B. Section 138(6) of the Act enables the registration of certificates of pending litigation upon the dissolution of marriage provided the application is submitted in the prescribed form, a Form 12:
- C. The Nisga'a Land Title Regulation Form 12, Certificate of Pending Litigation (Marital Proceeding), refers to the Family Relations Act (British Columbia);
- D. The Family Relations Act (British Columbia) has been repealed and replaced with the Family Law Act (British Columbia):
- E. it is desirable to amend the Nisga'a Land Title Regulation Form 12, Certificate of Pending Litigation (Marital Proceeding), in order to remove the reference to the Family Relations Act (British Columbia), add a reference to the Family Law Act (British Columbia), and maintain consistency with British Columbia Supreme Court procedure;

MOVED THAT:

- the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact, under the Act, the Nisga'a Land Title Amendment Regulation, 2018 attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
- 2. the Regulation come into force on the date that it is signed in accordance with this motion;
- 3. the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government be authorized to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

Resolution 2018/144/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Lands and Resources and the Emergency Response Services Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government have prepared an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Emergency Evacuations Route Planning Grant program for Emergency Evacuations Route Planning for Gitwinksihlkw and Gitlaxt'aamiks, which application is attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "UBCM Emergency Evacuations Planning grant");

the UBCM EEP grant application requests funding in the amount of \$25,000;

the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has reviewed the UBCM Emergency Evacuations Planning grant application;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the submission of the UBCM Emergency Evacuations Planning grant application.

Resolution 2018/145/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Lands and Resources and the Emergency Response Services Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government have prepared an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program, the application which is attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "UBCM Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant")

the UBCM Wildland Fire Protection application requests funding in the amount of \$100,000;

the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed the Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant application;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the submission of the UBCM Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant application.

Resolution 2018/146/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Director of Lands and Resources and the Emergency Response Services Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government have prepared an application to BC Workforce Skills Training Grant Stream to provide funding for a Nisga'a Com mu nit y Resiliency Investment Program, the application which is attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "UBCM Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant");

The Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed the Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant application;

MOVED THAT the Executive approve the submission of a Nisga'a Community Resiliency Investment Program grant application to the BC Workforce Skills Training Grant Stream.

Resolution 2018/147/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT the Lands Manager and Emergency Response Services Managers of Nisga'a Lisims Government have prepared a revised application for funding under the Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada ("CIRNAC") First Nations Adapt Program for a proposal entitled "Adaptation of the Nisga'a Nation to the Impacts of Climate Change" attached as Appendix "A" to this motion (the "Impacts of Climate Change Proposal").

AND CONSIDERING THAT CIRNAC has requested a letter of support for the Impacts of Climate Change Proposal from the Nisga'a Nation (the "Support Letter").

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the Impacts of Climate Change Proposal and direct that:

- the Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to execute the Support Letter substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix 11 811 or with such modifications as may be determined appropriate by the Chief Executive Officer;
- 2. the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver the Impacts of Climate Change Proposal and the signed Support Letter to CIRNAC; and
- 3. the Director of Lands and Resources, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer, prepare and submit any additional documents required by CIRNAC to facilitate the assessment or implementation of the Impacts of Climate Change Proposal.

Resolution 2018/ 148/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT Executive of the Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") desires to undertake an Economic Development Strategy in consultation with the four Nisga'a communities;

MOVED THAT the Executive supports the grant application to the Department of Indigenous Services Canada for \$50,000 and the application to New Relationship Trust Direct Support Fund for \$13,000 to develop an Economic Development Strategy for Nisga'a Lisims Government and to dedicate \$7,000 of operational funding towards this project.

Resolution 2018/149/ December 20, 2018

CONSIDERING THAT Mr. Claude Barton has been sitting as Speaker since October 2018, and will be required to continue in that role at least until Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a elects a new Speaker in 2019;

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government direct that Mr. Barton be provided the additional stipend amount normally provided to the Speaker under the Stipend Policy from October 2018 until Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a elects a new Speaker in 2019.

Resolution 2019/001/ January 23, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting, dated January 23 & 24, 2019 as presented.

Resolution 2019/ 002/ January 23, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga1 a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for December 19 & 20, 2018, as presented.

Resolution 2019/003/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has reviewed a resolution recently passed by the Laxgalts'ap Village Government concerning the need for a government to government relationship with British Columbia and Canada;

MOVED THAT the Executive direct the administration of Nisga'a Lisims Government to bring forward a report concerning the state of planning with respect to a renewed Treaty Implementation Committee in order that the Executive may review the current arrangements and how these may be supplemented by additional agreements or protocols to improve and advance government to government relationships.

Resolution 2019/004/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT it is appropriate and beneficial for Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") to conduct a performance evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer on a periodic basis;

MOVED THAT the Executive

- commence a performance evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer; and
- 2. request that the Secretary-Treasurer spearhead the performance evaluation process.

Resolution 2019/005/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT by Executive resolution 2018 / 134 the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") established the Department of Enforcement and Emergency Services and the office of Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services of Nisga'a Lisims Government;

AND CONSIDERING THAT under section 5(2) (q) of the Nisga'a Personnel Administration Act (the "Act") the Chief Executive Officer, with the prior approval of the Executive, is responsible for appointing persons to office as Nisga'a Lisims Government Directors:

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT a provisional offer of appointment to the position of Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services (the "Enforcement and Emergency Services Director Position") has been made to Walter McKay, who has indicated his willingness to accept appointment to the Enforcement and Emergency Services Director Position;

MOVED THAT under section 5(2)(q) of the Act the Executive approve the Chief Executive Officer's appointment of Walter McKay to the Enforcement and Emergency Services Director Position.

Resolution 2019/ 006/ January 23, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the financial statements for the periods ending November 30 and December 31, 2018 as presented by the Chief Financial Officer and as attached to this motion.

Resolution 2019/007/ January 23, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive receive the minutes of the Nisga'a Finance Committee meeting held on January 15, 2019, as presented.

Resolution 2019/ 008/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has reviewed a memorandum dated January 23, 2019 entitled 'Property Tax Sale, Post-redemption Buyback';

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government:

- 1. approve the transfer of the property entitlement in question back to the previous owner of the entitlement upon full payment of all taxes, interest, penalties, and certain other costs to the date of redemption, plus any current year taxes, interest, and penalties, and an administration fee of \$100.00, and
- 2. direct the administration to develop a policy that can be applied in the future for properties acquired by the Nation through the tax sale process.

Resolution 2019/ 009/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT Elders are sometimes required to move out of the Nass because there are no facilities available in the Nass that can deliver the appropriate level of care to them;

To keep more elders in the Nass, the Nisga'a Nation needs a facility on Nisga'a Lands that is an "assisted living residence" or "community living facility" (in either case a "Facility") as defined in the Community Care and Assisted Living Act (British Columbia);

To build a Facility on Nisga'a Lands, the Nisga'a Nation requires both capital and operational funding from either or both of Canada and British Columbia:

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive direct that the Chief Executive Officer pursue discussions with British Columbia and Canada with the goal of obtaining capital and operational funding for a Facility on Nisga'a Lands.

Resolution 2019/012/ January 24, 2019

MOVED THAT the Executive provide direction to the Director and Deputy Director of the Programs and Services Department to work with the Chief Financial Officer to determine the financial compliance and audit requirements and procedures, and that a report be brought back to the Executive to determine next steps.

Resolution 2019/013/ January 24, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT Skeena Sawmills Ltd. ("SSL") has requested consent for the use and occupation of lands owned by the Nisga'a Nation in fee simple and registered in the provincial land title office for the purposes of camping and storage of timber;

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT the use of Nass Camp is consistent with its management plan and will provide revenue to help offset capital expenses which may be incurred by Nisga'a Lisims Government;

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act states that the Executive is responsible for the oversight, management and control of the property of the Nisga'a Nation and may dispose of property in the name of the Nisga'a Nation;

MOVED THAT under section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive grant SSL, access to its fee simple property on the terms and conditions set out in the land use permit in the form substantially the same as the one attached to this motion as Appendix "A".

- the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver to SSL, for execution and return, the land use permit substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A"; and
- upon the execution by an authorized representative SSL and return to the Director of the land use permit delivered under paragraph (1) along with the security and the other fees requested under the terms the land use permit, the Director be authorized to date and execute the agreement on behalf of the Executive.

Resolution 2019/ 014/ January 23, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has been advised that the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency ("CEAA") is making funding available to assist the participation of Indigenous peoples in future consultation and engagement activities on the development of policies and guidance related to the proposed new impact assessment process;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Executive has reviewed an application for funding in the amount of \$50,000 prepared by the Director of Lands and Resources entitled "Development of policy and guidance on the proposed new impact assessment system" (the "New Impact Assessment System funding application");

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT should the New Impact Assessment funding application be successful, it is anticipated that Canada will enter into a contribution agreement with the Nisga'a Nation as represented by the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government;

MOVED THAT the Executive

- approve the submission of the New Impact Assessment System funding application, and
- 2. authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government to sign a letter of authorization that will authorize the Director of Lands and Resources to submit the New Impact Assessment System funding application for and on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation.

Resolution 2019/015/ January 24, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT John A. Clayton has offered to purchase certain trailers located at Nass Camp (the "Trailers").

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Trailers are assets owned by the Nisga'a Nation;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act states that the Executive is responsible for the oversight, management and control of the property of the Nisga'a Nation and may dispose of property in the name of the Nisga'a Nation;

MOVED THAT under section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive sell the Trailers to John A. Clayton on an "as is, where is" basis as set out in the bill of sale in the form substantially the same as the one attached to this motion as Appendix "A".

- the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver to John A. Clayton, for execution and return, the bill of sale substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A"; and
- upon the execution by John A. Clayton and return to the Director of the bill of sale delivered under paragraph (1) along with the purchase price requested, the Director be authorized to date and execute the bill of sale on behalf of the Executive.

Resolution 2019/016/ January 24, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT

 a vacancy occurred on January 4, 2019 in one of the Village Councillor offices within the Nisga'a

- Village Government of Gitwinksihlkw; and
- 2. section 4 of the Nisga'a Elections Act provides that, if a vacancy occurs between regular elections, the Executive must determine a date for an election to fill the vacancy that is not more than 150 days after the occurrence of the vacancy;

MOVED THAT the Executive declare May 15, 2019 to be the by-election date for the current vacancy in one of the Village Councillor offices within the Nisga'a Village Government of Gitwinksihlkw.

Resolution 2019/ 016/ January 24, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") participated in a strategic planning session in November of 2017 and a report has been prepared outlining the outcomes of that session (the "Strategic Planning Report");

MOVED THAT the Executive direct the administration to bring forward the Strategic Planning Report and to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Officers to consider the funding that will be required to develop a work plan in respect of the implementation of the Strategic Planning Report.

Resolution 2019/ 016/ January 24, 2019

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government direct the Chief Executive Officer to provide a report to Executive in February concerning the Quality of Life initiative, and that the report describe:

- 1. the projects initiated pursuant to Quality of Life initiative
- 2. the mandate for the use of Quality of Life funding
- 3. stakeholders

Resolution 2019/ 019/ February 20, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Agenda for the Executive Meeting for February 20, 2019 as amended.

Resolution 2019/ 021/ February 20, 2019

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive adopt the Summary of Resolutions and Proceedings of the Executive for January 23 & 24, 2019, as presented.

Resolution 2019/ 022/ February 20, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT

- the Nisga'a Nation, acting through the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive"), wishes to consider working with Skeena Bio Energy for the purpose of gathering and transporting wood waste from Nisga'a Lands to Skeena Bio Energy's pellet plant operations in Terrace (the "Nisga'a wood waste initiative");
- 2. Natural Resources Canada's Indigenous Forestry Initiative is currently considering applications for funding to assist with projects like the Nisga'a wood waste initiative;
- 3. Skeena Bio Energy has agreed to partner with Nisga'a Lisims Government to provide in kind support for the Nisga'a wood waste initiative;
- 4. Nisga'a Lisims Government has obtained an estimate from PNL Consulting of Prince George to conduct a feasibility study and to develop a business plan for establishing the Nisga'a wood waste initiative:

MOVED THAT the Executive

- 1. direct the Economic Development Manager to apply to the Natural Resources Canada Indigenous Forestry Initiative for a grant in the amount of \$44,625 to carry out a feasibility study and develop a business plan to guide the establishment of a business to collect and transport wood waste to Skeena Bio Energy's Terrace pellet plant; and
- 2. authorize the Chief Executive Officer to sign a letter indicating the Executive's support for the Nisga'a wood waste initiative.

Resolution 2019/ 023/ February 20, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT:

- the members of the Enrolment Committee (the "Committee") are appointed on a bi-annual basis for a two-year term;
- 2. section 15(1) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Act requires that the Committee consist of one voting member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes and one alternate member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes;
- 3. section 2(3) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Regulation permits the reappointment of Committee members; and
- 4. the Citizenship Manager of Nisga'a Lisims
 Government (the "Manager") has made certain
 recommendations in respect of who should
 be appointed or reappointed as members and
 alternates to the Committee for the 2019-2021
 term;

MOVED THAT:

- the Executive appoint the following four regular members to the Committee: Kathleen Clayton (Laxgibuu)
 Oliver McNeil (Ganada)
 Dianna Rai (Gisk'aast)
 Lavinia Clayton (Laxsgiik)
- the Executive appoint the following alternate members to the Committee: Heather Stephens (Ganada) Deborah Azak (Laxsgiik) Dorcas Stewart (Laxgibuu) Eric Grandison (Gisk'aast)

Resolution 2019/ 024/ February 20, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to section 22 of the Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") must adopt a proposed annual fishing plan prepared by the Director of Fish and Wildlife (the "Director");

MOVED THAT the Executive:

- approve and adopt the proposed Nisga'a Annual Fishing Plan for 2019 / 2020 prepared by the Director, substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "proposed Annual Fishing Plan"), with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Director in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government, and
- 2. direct the Director to forward the proposed Annual Fishing Plan to the Joint Fisheries Management Committee.

Resolution 2019/ 025/ February 20, 2019

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to resolution 2002/157, the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") authorized the Secretary-Treasurer, acting on recommendation from the Chief Financial Officer, to issue guarantees under the Nisga'a Temporary Housing Security Act (the "Act") and to enter into and sign any agreement or other document needed to give effect to those guarantees;

AND CONSIDERING THAT some Nisga'a citizens have now fully repaid the loans that were guaranteed by the Nisga'a Nation under the Act;

MOVED THAT the Executive authorize the Chief Financial Officer to execute mortgage discharge documents when a Nisga'a citizen has fully repaid a loan guaranteed by the Nisga'a Nation under the Act, the bank has provided clear documentation to this effect, and a legal review indicates that the mortgage in question may appropriately be discharged.

Resolution 2019/ 026/ February 20, 2019

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government direct that a letter be sent to the Premier and the Minister responsible for Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development requesting that the Nisga'a Nation be offered a right of first refusal in respect of any forest tenures that may become available in the Nass Area.



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