



ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KASAAN

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RESOLUTION OVK-16-03 002

A Resolution of the Organized Village of Kasaan, in opposition of the formation of a Prince of Wales Island Borough Charter.

WHEREAS, the Organized Village of Kasaan is a federally recognized Tribe organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984) and May 1, 1936 (49 Stat. 1250); and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Charter of the Organized Village of Kasaan (Ratified October 15, 1938) states in its Purpose and Existence, "In order to further the economic development of the Indians residing in the neighborhood of Kasaan, Alaska, by conferring upon the Organized Village of Kasaan corporate rights and powers; and to enable this Village and its members to undertake enterprises designed to secure for the members of the corporation an assured economic independence..."; and

WHEREAS, the Organized Village of Kasaan (hereinafter "OVK") is governed by a Council of elected representatives composed of a President and six members who act in accordance with the powers granted to it by its Constitution and By-Laws (Ratified on October 15, 1938); and

WHEREAS, OVK Tribal Council feels at this time, there is not enough information of what the impact would be to the Citizens of Prince of Wales Island; communities, tribes, corporations, etc. to make a clear decision to support the formation of a Borough Charter on Prince of Wales Island; and

WHEREAS, the OVK Tribal Council is in opposition of the formation of a Prince of Wales Island Borough Charter; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Organized Village of Kasaan, is in opposition of the formation of a Prince of Wales Island Borough Charter.

The Organized Village of Kasaan is committed to promoting, preserving, and protecting indigenous Haida identity and values. For our elders and youth, we look to the future in unity, by developing economic opportunities, promoting education, and utilizing our cultural, natural, and social resources.

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CERTIFICATION

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the OVK Tribal Council on this 24th day of March 2016; by a Roll Call Vote: Della Coburn: YES, Glenn Hamar: yes, Stephanie Hamar: yes, Frederick Olsen: Absent, Paula Peterson: yes. And Carrie Sykes: Absent.



Ronald Leighton - President

ATTESTED:



Della A. Coburn - Council Secretary