Special Edition—Elections Issue 2018

HAIDA LAAS
News from the Council of the Haida Nation November 2018

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Eligibility
All persons of Haida ancestry who are sixteen (16) years of age are eligible to nominate candidates or run for office.

Election Dates
Advanced poll: Saturday, November 24th, 2018
Regular poll: Saturday, December 1st, 2018
Time: 9:00am to 9:00pm

Polling Stations

Gaw Old Massett
Community Hall - 348 Eagle Ave.

HlGaagilda Skidegate
CHN Administration Office - 1 Resevoir Rd.

Kxeen Prince Rupert
Highliner Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre - 815 1st Ave W.

T’agwan Vancouver
Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre - 1607 E Hastings St.

Mail-In ballots
Any Haida citizens that reside outside of HlGaagilda, Gaw, T’agwan or Kxeen can provide their mailing address to the Chief Electoral Officer and they will be sent the mail-in ballot package for the Executive positions of President and Vice-president.

For further information
Please contact Lawrence Lewis, Head Electoral Officer
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November 2018
www.haidanation.ca

Photos courtesy of the Denver Museum
The Haida Nation Candidates

President
Gaagwiis Alsop, Jason
Brown, Ronald

Vice-President
Ginn wadluu un uula isdaa ayaagang Russ, Trevor
Kuun Jaadas Young, Adeana

Gaw Old Massett Regional
Kaad Giidee Bennett, Robert
Daigle (Wallace), Daniel
Grosse, Stephen
Jones, Lawrence
Steso, Alfred
Gaagiid Stocker, Ralph
Ginaawaan Weir, John

HiGaagilda Skidegate Regional
Kii’iljuus Wilson, Barbara

Kxeen Prince Rupert Regional
Kaakuns Collison, Pansy
Guun’aay Parnell, David
White, W. R. (Bill)

T’agwan Vancouver Regional
Kils Guula Gaayas Edenshaw, Derek
Jutkenjus Hamilton, Laverne
Samuels, Tarah
Giinaawan Swanson, Ernest
Kun Gaadaas Yaghuijaanas, Laara

Please note: Candidate statements are presented in order of submission. All candidates were offered space in Haida Laas to provide a message to citizens of the nation. All submissions by candidates were edited only for grammar and punctuation by Haida Laas writers.

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Gaagwiis Jason Alsop

Haida Laas, I feel strong! Mentally, physically and spiritually I am ready to step up and represent you as President of the Council of the Haida Nation.

Over the last 9 years I have gained much knowledge and a deeper understanding of the concerns of our citizens, our governance, crown relations and title case. Sitting on the Executive Committee I have been a part of the Haida Reconciliation and Title Team and have closely followed the title case, the potential of reconciliation with Canada and negotiations advancing our current protocol with BC.

During my previous term, I have served as Chair of the Culture & Language, Tourism and Communications committees, leading the work, providing clear direction to staff and working as part of a team.

One of my biggest responsibilities has been serving in a co-management capacity as a member of the Archipelago Management Board, SGaan Khinglas Management Board and Gwaii Trust. In these roles I’ve gained great insights into creating consensus decisions and what it means to work together through conflict.

There is important work to accomplish over the next 3 years and I will help move us forward on the following issues:

- Holding HaiCo accountable to the Letter of Expectations & establishing a treasury with BC and lack of Federal participation
- Northern Grid - This has been stalled long enough, decisions need to transcend elections and projects not dropped with new Chief Council, unreliability and stability makes partners and lenders uneasy and reluctant to do business.
- HaiCo - Dividends, direction and board structure: 1 Haida Manager hired to date, Head office on Haida Gwaii, Code of Ethics/Conduct and Enforcement
- Haida citizens Share Holder - HaiCo Corporate Transparency and accountability, breakdown of how each Haida owned entity is actually doing, not lumped in on a single lump sum, need to show which is making profit and not decide accordingly.

Ronald Montgomery Brown (Champ)

Champ has served both the community and the nation for the past few decades: Old Massett Band Council and Council of the Haida Nation as both President and Vice President.

Haida Nation Unity
- Three governments (CHN/OMVC/SBC) should be working together, equally and supporting each other, work on back filling the Haida Accord, each participant’s roles and responsibilities.
- Long term socioeconomic planning and how they fit together
- Reconciliation or Title, update and history with BC and lack of Federal participation

Research Management
- Water and land management resources: cutting rates, no one should be above the law of the lands and water whether it is fishing lodges or logging companies and/or private land owners, budget an work plans approved, let the staff carry them out, committees monitor and assist.

Office Building
- Been on the table for 2 terms now, site has been selected, build it

Title Case
- Reconciliation, Abeyance, need to revisit where we are, progress if any and is the current decision still the best way

Administration/Staff
- Historically the Vice President oversaw the Administration, with the lack of administration currently and for how much longer is an issue, disconnect from CHN is also an issue as staff continue to turn over

Finance Authority
- Define collectively.

Let’s work together for everyone. Strong nation.
Candidates - Vice President

Ginn wadluu un uula isdaa ayaagang Russ, Trevor • Kuun Jaadas Young, Adeana

CONTINUITY. COLLABORATION. ENGAGEMENT. HAIDA LIFE. HAIDA VALUES.

I, Trevor Russ, graciously accepted the nomination to run for the office of Vice President for a third term and seek your support. I bring knowledge and understanding as Vice President.

I believe that our Haida Nation is in a very fascinating time, facing many challenges, but I am a believer in that with challenges, opportunities arise.

Continuity: I believe that in order for the CHN to make a seamless transition to a new President, my experience and knowledge will bring value and provide a need to the array of new elected representatives. I have been an elected member of the Council of the Haida Nation for 11 years. I served two terms as an elected representative for Old Massett and have been Vice president for two terms. During my tenure with CHN I represent the interests of the people at numerous governing tables, including Gwaii Trust, Archipelago Management Board, Haida Gwaii Management Council, Coast Sustainability Trust, to name a few.

Collaboration: I believe that our ability to meet our objectives as a nation has to include our communities; band councils, working with civic communities, to bring forward a vision that we can all support, for the well-being of our home. Together we can go further.

Engagement: I believe, in order for Haida citizens to support the work of the Council of the Haida Nation, we need to reach more of our community through engagement. When developing policy for the nation, I support having smaller settings for citizen to provide their input into the drafting process. This approach has proven to show success over the last few years, with the Haida Citizenship Act and the Haida Nation Election Act.

I am a believer in the vision of the Council of the Haida Nation, the mandate of the Haida Constitution and the connectedness of the Haida Accord.

A great path has been started for us to follow, to clear the path for the next generation is our duty.

Kuun Jaadas
Adeana Young

My Haida name is Kuun Jaadas, I belong to the Ts’aahl Laanas Eagle clan. I’m confident in being the successful candidate for CHN’s Vice-President. I have 6 years experience in our local governance organization. I’m familiar with CHN’s governance structure, Haida Constitution & Haida Accord. I’ve been on the Board of Directors for Secretariat of the Haida Nation, Haida Child and Family Services Society and the Coastal First Nations – Great Bear Initiative. During my 2-year term (2016-2018) on OMVC some of my accomplishments are contributing to having OMVC public meetings, hiring a Housing Department Manager, building relationships with Indigenous Services Canada and identifying gaps in existing policies and procedures.

My Goals as Vice-President are:

1) Work towards unity with our local governments: In doing so I will maintain efficient time management and be reciprocal to invitations to attend meetings, forums, conferences that impact locals on Haida Gwaii. I will encourage involvement with our Prince Rupert and Vancouver Regional representatives to be present at Federal & Provincial gatherings within their regions. I will work our staff to ensure I have availability to meet with Old Massett Village Council and Skidegate Band Council on high priority happenings.

2) Support HaiCo: Work with the Board of Directors to ensure the success of our Haida business operations. Work at a Director’s level to support and be part of important discussions in the occurrences of our businesses.

3) Continue successfully with our Title Case: Through orientation, once elected I will support what our leaders have in place and proceed to move forward with the success of our Title Case. With Title and Rights we have to make room for capacity on all levels. It’s crucial we have strategic planning and ensure our Nation and organizations are working towards the same vision.

In closing, your support and confidence in my election for CHN’s Vice-President position will be held in high regard, with great pride & confidence. Our Haida voices will be heard at all levels in moving forward when I am Vice-President. For more info call or text 250-626-7176.

Yahgudang,
Kuun Jaadas Ts’aahl Laanas
Candidates - Kxeen Prince Rupert Regional

Kaakuns Collison, Pansy • Guun’aay Jaad Parnell, David • White, Bill W.R.

Kaakuns

Pansy Collison

My Haida name is Kaakuns which means ‘story keeper’ for our Tsaahl laanaas clan. During these past few years I’ve taken great pride in representing the Haida people in the Prince Rupert region.

The greatest contributions I’ve made in Council of Haida Nation is working on the Policy committee to implement the citizenship process, working to make improvements on the election policies and presenting the constitution amendments. My strength is with my extensive education background and my cultural contributions.

I have taught in the mainstream education mainly elementary grade levels, grade 11 and 12 and college level courses for the past 23 years. I am an outspoken Haida person and I speak with integrity to address any concerns or suggestions in the political arena or various committees. I am a strong spirited, hard working woman and I’ll continue to work to get food fish, culture and language activities for the Prince Rupert region.

I want to thank everyone who put their names forward to represent the Haida people. Good luck to all the candidates. Howaa.

Guun’aay

David Parnell

My name is David Parnell; I’m married to my wife of eleven years Jeannie and have three children, Desiree, Tucker and David Jr. I come from the Kuun-laanass clan and my Indian name is Guun’aay. I currently work as the Business Development Officer at Tribal Resources Investment Corporation; prior to working at Tricorp I attained a Business Management Diploma from Langara College.

My campaign platform can be divided into three areas that I believe are important; I refer to it as “THE C.A.N. DO CAMPAIGN 2018”, which is summarized below:

Communication: I plan to formulate a multi-faceted communication channel to all our local Haida who currently live in Prince Rupert. So that all local Haida are informed of the business of the Council of Haida Nation.

Advocacy: Advocating for the Haida people of Prince Rupert, I feel it is very important for the Haida people of Prince Rupert to have a strong voice at the table. I will listen carefully to any concerns brought to me, and then bring those concerns to the table for discussion, and discuss the results with the concerned party. Next Generation: The sky’s the limit when it comes to Prince Rupert and the things we can achieve together. Some ideas that I think are attainable:

• The creation of a Haida society.
• Securing cultural funds to support cultural activities in Prince Rupert.
• The creation of a Haida Hub which would be a gathering place for Prince Rupert Haida.
• Having food fish distribution expand.

The above items are achievable and attainable and I ask for your support on November 24th and December 1st 2018 to vote for David Parnell for Prince Rupert Regional Representative. Vote for the Next Generation who will be working for your interests!

Bill White

My name is Bill White and I am running for Council of Haida in the Prince Rupert region. I am of Haida ancestry and a member of the jothlaanas clan. I have lived here in Prince Rupert for the majority of my life. I have been married for over 30 years and have 5 children and 16 grandchildren. I am a member of the local Haida dance group owe unglis dancers. As a past representative I gained experience working with other groups and organizations that supported our culture and belief system. I would like the opportunity to continue the support and knowledge of Haidas living here in Prince Rupert. It is important that we as Haidas have a voice wherever we live be it Haida Gwaii or surrounding areas. I am confident I am the candidate to achieve the communication needed to voice our concerns here in Prince Rupert. I have and will continue to uphold the integrity of the elected position and the Haida Nation as a whole.
Candidates - T’agwan Vancouver Regional

Kils Guulas Edenshaw, Derek • Jutkenjus Hamilton, Laverne. • Samuels, Tarah • Giinaawan Swanson, Ernest
• Kun Gaadaas Yahgujaanas, Laara E.

T’agwan Polling Station
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Vancouver, BC

Kun Gaadaas
Laara E. Yahgujaanas, M.A.

My name is Kun Gaadaas from the Yahgu ‘jaanas clan, my English name is Laara E. Yahgujaanas. I am granddaughter to Carrie and Joe Weir, from Old Masset. I am an active family member who keeps connected with loved ones on Haida Gwaii. I have strong values of respect, integrity, excellence and community responsibility, I believe in living my values, service leadership, lifelong learning and working hard. I hold a Master’s Degree from Royal Roads University, was awarded the Royal Roads University Founders Award for leadership, completed the Justice Institute Conflict Resolution and Negotiation, am a Certified CTT Consultant, a member of the Council of Native Development Officers (CANDO), a member of the New Relationship Trust Economic Development Support Team, and Juror for the Indigenous Business Achievement Awards for BC. I am currently planning my thesis to complete my Doctorate. I am also Principal of Carden Consulting, and have been serving Nations from across BC and Canada for almost 22 years supporting community engaged strategic planning, strengthening good governance, organizational development to achieve the will of its citizens. Testimonials about the work I have done are available at http://www.cardenconsulting.com/Testimonials.php.

Tarah Samuels

Xaadaa Laa’ issis

My name is Tarah Samuels, and I will be getting my Haida name this June when I graduate with my Bachelor of Business Administration. My Naanii is Nora Samuels, and my Late Grandfather is Eugene Samuels. My parents are Carrie and Steve Samuels. My sister’s name is Tasha and my son’s name is Zion.

I am currently running for T’agwan representative and was born and raised on Haida Gwaii and have been a part of the Urban Haida community for about 10 years now.

Language, culture, and community are very important to me. I hold Xaad Kil and Culture very close and do whatever I can to contribute and stay engaged in learning and sharing. I have been a part of language learning for many years and continue to participate in our Haida community events, language programs, dance practice, and other special events.

My priorities as an elected representative would be nation engagement and nation building in the form of communication and sound decision-making within T’agwan and other CHN Regional communities. I would like to assess agreements and policies to assess value and if something is working against our growth as a nation I will address it to the team of council representatives.

It is important to me as an ambassador of the Nation that my work reflects Haida values.

My vision for the Nation is sovereignty in the form of Title. As a leader I will do whatever is in my ability to contribute to that goal. I envision a strong Nation that can uphold and create Haida Law and work with Haida Gwaii’s sustainability/ecological needs at the forefront.

I believe in a strong Haida work force and will utilize my education and work experience in Human Resources and strategic planning to be proactive in capacity building in ways that will move our Nation forward. I will utilize my interpersonal and engagement skills to build relationships both in and out of the Council to ensure that the lines of communication are always open.

Haaw’aa

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Kils Guula Gaayas
Derek Edenshaw

Derek Edenshaw is also known as Kils Guula Gaayas of the Gaag’Yaals Kiigawya. His Father is named Pakayagun from the Cree/Metis Nations and his Mother is the late Leona Edenshaw who is the daughter of Janet Williams and Lee Edenshaw. Chini Lee was from Tsiits Gita-nee. He is currently in the running for the Taagwan Rep position he held once before almost a decade ago.

He feels extremely grateful and fortunate to have been born into a time Haida Culture was coming back strong. He sang and danced as a toddler with the late Claude Davidson’s and the Rediscovery Dance group. This provided the foundation for a lifelong career in music and public speaking engagements. He has worked 18 years as a professional recording artist having created hundreds of songs and almost 2-dozen videos on Youtube. He also worked in Vancouver’s East Side as an outreach worker for at risk youth for 10 years. His work has brought him all over Native Country, as a representative of not only himself, but the Nations he is from.

He understands CHN and is very familiar with the Haida Constitution and Accord. He has also studied the various court cases and agreements in place in regards to our stance on preserving Haida land, water and culture. He also understands the unique needs of Vancouver’s Haida constituents who are often homestick and anxious for any chance to gather with our people. He refers back to a time when there was the CHN Vancouver local, which gave the Vancouver Haida community an office and a place to organize events. My first priority would be to re-establish the Vancouver CHN Local. When the exact data is presented from the Haida census, he believes that areas with high Haida populations should create their own locals as well. Once this is established this will give a lot more opportunity for a rep to focus on other challenges at hand.

He hopes the public will support his attempt to once again sit on CHN, but also wished all candidates well, and offers his support regardless of who wins.

Jutkenjus
Laverne Hamilton

Jutkenjus hinuu dii xaad kyaang, Penny hinuu dii aw kyaang, Jessie hinuu dii naan kyaagang, Dii uu ts’aahl laanas. My Haida name is Jutkenjus, my mother is Penny Hamilton, my Nonnie is Jessie Hamilton, I come from Tsaalth Lnaas.

My goal, if elected (and even if not elected), is more for information sharing. In my view, a Regional Representative is exactly that, someone who takes the region’s questions and concerns to the house and getting answers, sometimes, even if they are not the answers that are wanted, at least there are answers. In the view of “knowledge is power”, information sharing is crucial! Especially for the Regions. We aren’t at home, and some people haven’t been home in 20+ years, but that doesn’t mean that they shouldn’t have the same information as everyone else about how our Nation’s business is being conducted, and who knows, those people may have insights that could help the Nation in the House.

I would love to implement initiatives and share resources and work together in our community, and hopefully include other areas that are outside of the lower mainland. We have 2 Regions that represent at the House: Prince Rupert and Vancouver, yet there are so many Haidas widespread!

I know these are big wants. I don’t view this position as a “political” position; I view it as a position that allows representatives to attend the House of Assembly and sit on committees and return information, and ask the questions from the Region, and facilitate initiatives in the Region that brings the Urban Haida Nation together.

How7aa to everyone who is brave enough to put their names forward and to everyone who has taken the time to attend the forums and talk with candidates and get out and vote, and Good Luck!
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Giinaawan
Ernest Swanson

Xaadaa laas Giinaawan hanu dii kyaan Ernest Swanson Yalthguulaanas clan of Dadens
Currently Vancouver region CHN representative
I just want to acknowledge my recently deceased co-rep David Smith.
When elected to a second term, I look forward to connecting and contributing to the creation of a solid steering committee to help organize and fundraise for Urban Haida to come together seasonally and in between. I look forward to advocating self-determination and self-sustaining life practices.

In this elected position I’ve only just spent the last 3 years learning our Haida Nation governance system, and finally feel comfortable speaking in this capacity as a leader. I spent a majority of my time listening and reading to better know my role before making decisions or speaking to any portfolios without understanding them first. I finally feel comfortable in this capacity to speak knowledgeable and transparently.

I would like the opportunity if elected to continue this momentum for our nations continuity.
I can promise food fish, I can promise x-mas parties, dinners, picnics, and I can promise delivering Haida Gwaii to the City, but I won’t. Please consider there are only 2 Vancouver Reps and I believe the creation of committees and programs and the success of said programs rely on Urban Haida community involvement.

In the last 3 years I’ve helped organize 2 x-mas parties, food fish for 2 years except this year. I’ve worked on the culture and language, tourism, energy, Haida Gwaii Youth Assembly, and the coastal opportunity funds portfolios. We have allocated funds for the Haida language and have the apprentice master program funding to happen as well as money for other programs.

In this term, I’ll look at getting an online/Skype reporting out system for our Vancouver region including Vancouver Island.
We have so much potential and resources to create a central building that urban Haida can call a safe place. With resources for employment and be more connected to what’s going on back Home on HG.
Not to mention, to learn our Haida language in a building to call our own in the rural city setting. I will represent our Vancouver Island community and work on creating the same system there.

“Give a man a fish he’ll eat for a day, teach a man to fish he’ll eat for life.”
- Ern
**Candidates - HlGaagilda Skidegate Regional**

**Kii’iljuus Wilson, Barbara - Acclaimed**

I want to honor the nominators, Colin Richardson and Jason Alsop, Haawa. As a representative of our community of Skidegate, I am committed to ensuring transparency, accountability, fulfilling the desires of our citizens in having our treasury set up and reviewing the HaiCo financial records and reporting back to each citizen at our HoA. I am also interested in helping to develop the policies to have a better, more respectful relationship between our companies, our lands, and our people. I would like to help develop a way to educate and place our own citizens in the employment which is being created in our various companies, and change our use of fossil fuels to better alternatives. Three years isn’t very long but I have hope and determination to Tl yahdah.

Haawa

**Candidates - Gaw Old Massett Regional**

**Kaad Giidsee Bennett, Robert • Daigle (Wallace), J. Daniel. • Grosse, Stephen • Jones, Lawrence • Setso, Alfred • Gaagiid Stocker, Ralph • Ginaawaan Weir, John**

**Alfred Setso**

My name is Alfred (Alfie) Setso, I am running for a seat as representative of Old Massett. I have three children: Cheryl and James Downer, Amos and Veronica Setso, and Brad and Jaadaa Setso; and four grandchildren. Latisha Tehtatzie-Setso and Aaron Edgars have my great grandson Landon.

I am part of the Yahguulanaas Clan. I would like to see a building in Old Massett. I think we would benefit from a public meeting once a year with all representatives present.

The committees I would like to serve on are fishing, SHN Board and Finance. I would like the support of the community.

Howaa, Howaa, Howaa

**Gaagiid Ralph Stocker**

Dear Haada,

I hereby put my name forward to run in this year’s CHN election as a Massett Rep. I have always been close to the lands and seas as a Wildman.

Food and medicine harvester
Clam digger
Parks Ranger
Guide
Construction
Sawmill worker
Commercial Salmon fisherman
Diver
Forestry, Silviculture
Trapper
Culturally Modified Tree Surveyor
Archaeology
Dreamer
Artist
Activist
Visionary
Started the TFL 39 Court Case.
Started the Haida Heritage Trail System for OMVC.

I have been fortunate to spend a lot of time out on the lands and seas, and to have experienced many perspectives from our elders that taught me to have respect for our ancient ways of life as we carry on into these modern times.

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Now we are at one of the most critical and challenging times that our Haida Nation has ever been faced as we enter into the Title Case, Land Claims, Reconciliation, and the future of our Islands and culture.

Now is a good time to figure out how to get all of our citizens interested and involved with all levels of planning. I would like to see our Nation Develop a Vision with all the Haida citizens for ourselves to follow, such as dealing and healing from the genocide that we still live with, protecting and managing our forest and sea resources in a truly sustainable way.

We can build our Homes and Nation with local manufacturing and processing and marketing, rather than just shipping away all of the precious valuables off Island.

For instance I would like to see every old village rebuilt to the same standards as they were when the British attempted to wipe us out with smallpox in 1862, we deserve to be compensated and we owe ourselves this at the very least.

Haw’aay
Gaagiid- Ralph Stocker

Stephen Grosse

Continuity. Integrity. Honesty

My name is Stephen ‘Buck’ Grosse and I am from the Sgidaa Kaw Raven clan of Old Massett. It has been both a privilege and an honor to represent Old Massett for the past three years, and today I am seeking your support for re-election. It takes a great deal of dedication and commitment to serve as a representative for our Nation. From a very young age I watched my dad serve in local politics, and he instilled in me the importance of dedication and commitment to the people you serve. I have carried these values with me throughout my term, and made my role as a CHN rep one of the top priorities in my life.

One of the highlights of my term has been sitting on the Heritage and Natural Resources committee. We achieved great things over the past few years, and have plans to continue moving forward in the years to come. I also served as Chair of the Energy committee and am excited about the future of clean energy on Haida Gwaii.

I strongly believe that we as Haida people are entitled to all our resources and their management, and I look forward to the opportunity to continue my work in ensuring this happens for our Nation.

Haw’aay for your support.

Ginaawaan

John Weir

My Name is John Weir, My Haida Name is Ginaawaan given to me from my Nonnie Carrie Weir. Named after my Chinnie Ernie Yeltatzie. My Mother is Agatha Weir also known as Bunny Weir. My Father’s Name is Pat Weir. I am running for councillor as your representative this next three years for several different reasons. I want to commit time for council this term because I always felt there will be a time where I can be a part of progression towards commitment in moving forward respectfully for our political agenda. My belief is Unity, coming together and standing strong for the Haida Accord and also the Haida Constitution. My background is 12 years in business for forestry and second- and third-year University for Biochemistry. My priorities are to continue with the existing relationship and to try to improve with the ongoing relationship with Skidegate Band Council for the reason of progression, Unity, Coming together We are Stronger.

Haaw’aa
Gaagiid- Ralph Stocker

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https://onefeather.ca/nations/haida
In accordance with the CHN Election Act section 44.3, the timelines for this by-election are being modified from those prescribed by the Act to better accommodate the function of the by-election. The timelines communicated in this Notice of By-Election shall be the official timelines for this by-election, therefore, the voting citizens of the Haida Nation shall select three (3) Representatives for Skidegate for the Council of the Haida Nation by by-election scheduled for December 22, 2018.

**POLLING DATE AND LOCATION**

**REGULAR POLL SATURDAY DECEMBER 22, 2018**

**HLGAAAGILDA – SKIDEGATE**

CHN Skidegate Office, 1 Reservoir Rd, Skidegate

**NOMINATION PERIOD AND INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the CHN Election Act, the timelines for this by-election are being modified from those prescribed by the Act to better accommodate a timely and effective by-election for Skidegate.

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 9TH TO FRIDAY NOVEMBER 23RD, ENDING AT 4:30PM**

Nomination forms are available on the CHN website www.haidanation.ca, at the website located at the bottom of this Notice, at the CHN Offices in Gaw and Hlgaaagilda, AND upon request directly from the Head Electoral Officer. All completed nomination forms are to be submitted to the Head Electoral Officer by hand, mail, fax, or email.

**THERE ARE NO MAIL-IN BALLOTS OR ADVANCE POLLS FOR THIS BY ELECTION**

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 6TH day of November 2018.

Lawrence Lewis, Head Electoral Officer

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