



COUNCIL OF THE HAIDA NATION

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NOTICE TO HAIDA CITIZENS

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the Haida Nation

The Constitution of the Haida Nation directs the Council of the Haida Nation to publish all proposed amendments for Haida citizens a minimum of two months prior to a vote for adoption at a House of Assembly. The proposed amendments will be discussed at the House of Assembly in October 2019. The submission period for proposed amendments is now closed,

In addition to proposed amendments submitted by Haida citizens, the CHN has proposed amendments to improve the clarity of the Constitution, adopt the appropriate spelling for Gaw Old Massett, and update references to the new CHN Election Act.

A side-by-side comparison is included in this package. Please direct any questions to policy@haidanation.com or talk to the Policy Administration at (250) 559-4468 or (250) 626-5252.

ORIGINAL TEXT	REVISED TEXT	SUBMITTER AND RATIONALE
<p>A5.S3</p> <p>The Council of the Haida Nation shall consist of fourteen elected representatives: (a) a President (b) a Vice President; (c) four regional representatives for HIG aagilda Skidegate; (d) four regional representatives for G aaw Old Massett; (e) two regional representatives for T'agwan Vancouver; and (f) two regional representatives for Kxeen Prince Rupert.</p>	<p>A.5 S.3</p> <p>The Council of the Haida Nation shall consist of eighteen elected representatives: (a) a President (b) a Vice President (c) four regional representatives for HIGaagilda Skidegate (d) four regional representatives for Gaaw Old Massett (e) two regional representatives for T'agwan Vancouver and (f) two regional representatives for Kxeen Prince Rupert (g) Chief & Deputy Chief Councillor from Skidegate Band Council (h) Chief & Deputy Chief Councillor from Old Massett Village Council</p>	<p>Adeana Young. Kuun Jaadas.</p> <p>To pull the three governing bodies together to begin working together. To include each Haida governing bodies so they are all aware of the business of each government. This is a step in creating a Healthy Working Relationships between Haida Governance.</p>
<p>A7.S31</p> <p>The Executive Committee shall consist of the President and Vice President, and one regional representative from each of G aaw and HIG aagilda.</p>	<p>A7.S31</p> <p>The Executive Committee shall consist of the President and Vice President, and one regional representative from each of Gaaw and HIGaagilda and the Chief or Deputy Chief from Old Massett Village Council and the Chief of Deputy Chief from Skidegate Band Council</p>	<p>Adeana Young. Kuun Jaadas.</p> <p>Being aware of Haida Governance and being able to help each other out. Being supportive of each other and help identify jurisdiction of the federal bands and it shows we can reconcile amongst ourselves with federal jurisdiction.</p>

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<p>A9.S2</p> <p>One potlatched Chief from each clan will sit at the Hereditary Chiefs Council.</p> <p>(a) A Hereditary Chief may, with written notice, appoint a spokesperson to sit in their place.</p>	<p>Remove this section from Constitution</p>	<p>Frank Collison. Stithlda</p> <p>This is an administrative function of the Hereditary Chiefs Council and does not belong in the Constitution of the Haida Nation.</p>
<p>A15.S1</p> <p>A Judicial Tribunal may be convened to resolve internal conflicts in a timely way.</p>	<p>A15.S1</p> <p>A Judicial Tribunal will be convened to resolve internal conflicts in a timely way</p>	<p>Frank Collison. Stithlda</p> <p>Change “may” to “will” to be consistent with Article 15.S2 (a)</p> <p>A15.S2 A Judicial Tribunal will be convened only when:</p> <p>(a) All other Haida Nation processes have been exhausted to bring an issue to closure; and</p> <p>(b) All parties agree, in writing, to accept and abide by the findings and ruling of the Tribunal.</p>