Ordinance 11: Adoption
Non-Base Roll Enrollment
Adopted: May 17, 2021

Section 1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Ordinance is to define criteria for Adoption as a member of Ketchikan Indian Community in accordance with Article III, "Membership" Section 1 (c) of the Amended and Restated Constitution of the Ketchikan Indian Community as ratified by voting membership and approved by the U.S. Department of the Interior on October 18, 2017.

Section 2. **Applicability.** This Ordinance applies to individuals who are non-lineal descendant of Ketchikan Indian Community, but are direct lineal descendants of a member of a Federally Recognized Tribe and meet the criteria for adoption set forth herein. For purposes of this Adoption Ordinance, the definition of a direct lineal descendant shall include an American Indian/Alaska Native individual who has been legally adopted by a member of a Federally Recognized Tribe.

Section 3. **Adoption Criteria.** In order to qualify for adoption into KIC membership, as specified by Article III, Section 1 (c) an applicant must meet the following requirements:

Section 3.1 Adult applicants must provide proof of residency in Ketchikan Gateway Borough for at least 2 years prior to the date of application. Children are exempt from this provision;

Section 3.2 Provide proof of direct lineal descent from an American Indian/Alaska Native member of a Federally Recognized Tribe; and

Section 3.3 Non-American Indians/Alaska Natives shall not be adopted; and

Section 3.4 Provide a written testimonial outlining ties to KIC and reasons for requesting enrollment. The testimonial must be presented in person before the Enrollment Committee to be considered for membership; and

Section 3.5 Provide evidence relating to the applicant's personal social ties to KIC.

Section 4. **Voluntary Relinquishment.** Members adopted in accordance with this Ordinance will be accorded all rights, benefits and privileges of KIC membership, except the following restriction:
Section 4.1  Adopted tribal members may voluntarily relinquish their membership, however, an adopted tribal member who relinquishes tribal membership will not be eligible to reapply for enrollment.

Section 4.2  The Adopted Member descendants must be processed through the adoption ordinance. The adopted member is not a base roll member.

Section 5.  Adoption Roll
Section 5.1  Upon the adoption of this ordinance an adoption roll will be effect and maintained.

Section 6.  Precedence
Section 6.1  This ordinance takes precedence over and replaces all previous enrollment ordinances in their entirety.

Section 7.  Severability
Section 7.1  In the event any sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the remaining sentences, paragraphs or sections shall remain valid and be presumed consistent with the Constitution and all other applicable laws.

Section 8.  Amendments
Section 8.1  The Tribal Council by a majority vote shall have the power to amend this ordinance consistent with the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 9.  Certification
The foregoing Enrollment Ordinance of the Ketchikan Indian Community was adopted and enacted at a duly called Regular Scheduled Meeting of the KIC Tribal Council this 17th of May, 2021.

ATTEST:

Gloria Ilxiiie Burns
President

Melissa Johnson
Secretary