

February 1, 2026

Ms. Jolene John, Alaska Regional Director
U.S. Department of Interior - Bureau of Indian Affairs
3601 C Street, Suite 1100
Anchorage, AK 99503

RE: Cancellation of George Business Lease BS06421540 – Native Allotment AA-80630

Dear Ms. John:

The George Family requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) cancel and investigate the violations and concerns of the Business Lease with Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (CCTHITA/Tlingit & Haida) including and not limited to listed below.

- Article 6 – No communication of the change in construction plans (in writing) and time of completion with the George Family and the BIA.
- The George Family has been excluded in major decisions about business matters.
- Financial accounting has not been provided for the sale of fireworks.
- The fireworks are stored on the leased parcel in metal containers which pose hazard.
- Article 5 – Rentals – Yearly payments do not appear to reflect an increase of the Consumer Price Index as required by the BIA approved Lease.

The above-mentioned violations and concerns were discussed during the meeting with George Family members, Jimmy George and Diane Hobson and with BIA officials Lynn Polacca, Tommy Andrew, and Rebecca Shellikoff on January 30, 2026. During this meeting, the following documents were requested:

- Fair Market Rent Appraisal.
- Insurance and Bond Verification.
- Financial information on rental and revenue payments.
- Copies of any communication with Tlingit & Haida regarding the Business Lease.
- Title Status Report to show the ownership and percentage of ownership.

The George Family is not in agreement and comfortable with how Tlingit & Haida is conducting business on their Native allotment. BIA has a fiduciary trust responsibility to manage, provide oversight, and protect the interests of the Lessors (George Family).

We look forward to working and meeting with you. Thank you for your prompt assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jimmy George Family