



## Coastal First Nations Declaration

**W**e, the undersigned coastal First Nations, depend upon the lands and waters around us for our culture and lives.


Our laws and customs define our responsibilities to protect our lands and waters. We embrace this solemn and sacred duty to our ancestors to pass our territories and our cultures to the following generations in good order.

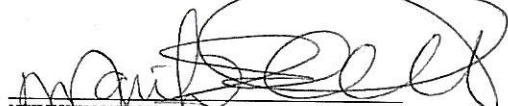
As Nations of the Central and North Pacific Coast and Haida Gwaii, it is our custom to share our wealth and live in harmony with the broader human community. However, we will not bear the risk to these lands and waters caused by the proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline and crude oil tanker traffic.

We commit to reduce our own carbon footprint, and call on others we share this land with to do the same.

**Therefore, in upholding our ancestral laws, rights and responsibilities, we declare that oil tankers carrying crude oil from the Alberta Tar Sands will not be allowed to transit our lands and waters.**

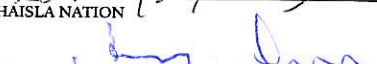
To those who share our commitment to the well being of the planet we invite you to join us in defending this magnificent coast, its creatures, cultures and communities

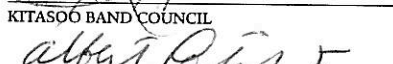
  
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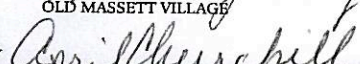
  
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