

# Hoonah Indians sign park pact

The Hoonah Indian Association and the National Park Service signed a Memorandum of Understanding on September 30, 1995 at Hoonah, Alaska at the traditional potlatch honoring the raising of the Tribe's first totem pole.

The memorandum recognizes the government-to-government relationship and areas of mutual concern and support, establishes

a framework for cooperative relationships and promotes communication.

This Memorandum of Understanding is a momentous occasion for the Hoonah Indian Association, as it at last recognizes their ties to their Traditional Homeland, Glacier Bay. This Memorandum of Understanding comes about after years of work by many tribal

members who have since past on as well as dedicated staff at the Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve.

The tribe humbly recognizes our Elders and Ancestors for all of their efforts on behalf of our Tribe.

*Submitted by Johanna K. Dybdahl, Hoonah Indian Association.*