



# SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

## RESOLUTION #23-01

Of the

### SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; and

**WHEREAS**, Squaxin Island Tribe is required to fulfill its duties under the Environmental Protection Agency's Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) to establish a Tribal Emergency Response Commission and a Tribal Emergency Planning Committee to track hazardous materials within the community, provide information pertaining to hazardous materials to the community, and plan for hazardous materials incidents.

**WHEREAS**, Squaxin Island Tribe may choose to fulfill these duties through the Washington State Emergency Response Commission and Mason County Local Emergency Planning Committee.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council hereby approves Squaxin Island Tribe to collaborate with Washington State Emergency Response Commission and

the Mason County Local Emergency Planning Committee to fulfill its duties under EPCRA for the safety of the community and its partners in response.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

*Kristopher K Peters*

Kristopher K Peters (Jan 13, 2023 11:19 PST)

Kristopher Peters, Chair

Attested by: 

Patrick Braese (Jan 13, 2023 11:48 PST)

Pat Braese, Secretary

*Jaimie Cruz*

Jaimie Cruz (Jan 13, 2023 11:53 PST)

Jaimie Cruz, Vice Chair












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