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RESOLUTION NO. 21-70

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, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is the project sponsor for Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office ("RCO") Project Number 18-1887A and signatory to the RCO Project Agreement, approved January 9, 2019, which as amended provides funding for the acquisition of property along Skookum Creek with a purpose of protecting habitat for coho, chum, steelhead and cutthroat trout.

WHEREAS, Port Blakely Tree Farms, a Washington limited partnership, has expressed its willingness to sell certain forestlands that border or are near to Skookum Creek; and

WHEREAS, Tribal and Port Blakely staff have reached a tentative agreement for the terms of the sale of the property.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves and agrees to the attached Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement between Port Blakely Tree Farms and the

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Squaxin Island Tribe, and authorizes and directs its Chair, Kristopher Peters, to execute the attached Agreement and related documents on behalf of the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE BE IN FINALLY RESOLVED, that Tribal Council specifically states and acknowledges that its approval of the purchase is contingent on the RCO release of grant funding in the full amount of the purchase price, consistent with Section 20 of the Agreement.

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	of
Kristopher Peters, Chair Attested by: Patrick Braese, Secretary	

Charlene Krise, Vice Chair