



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 10-16

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 the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; **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 Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes the need to provide promote economic development within the boundaries of the Squaxin Island Reservation and the need to create more jobs within the local community as well as provide employment opportunities to Mason County residents and other surrounding communities; **and**

WHEREAS, the State of Washington Department of Commerce has announced the availability of grant/loan funds through the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) program for the purpose of creating and retaining jobs in partnership with local governments; **and**

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Skookum Tobacco Factory will create 15 new livable wage jobs (exceeding the county median wage rate) at all levels within the first year of expansion thereby stimulating the local economy; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe is in need of funding to support the expansion project (Skookum Creek Tobacco Company) that will provide space to house finished goods, raw materials, equipment, and staff; **and**

WHEREAS, Skookum Creek Tobacco Company has irrevocably committed to use and occupy the new manufacturing premises and pay the Squaxin Island Tribe such amounts as are necessary to fully and timely repay all debt associated with the facility expansion; **and**

WHEREAS, Skookum Creek Tobacco Company has committed to be solely responsible for any maintenance, facilities, insurance, and incidental costs associated with the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council wishes to secure a grant and preferential loan through the Community Economic Revitalization Board and in cooperation with the Skookum Creek Tobacco Company; **and**

WHEREAS, a condition of the Tribe's receipt of such grant and loan is demonstrating an ability to repay all debt associated with the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the submission of a grant/loan application for \$1,000,000 to State of Washington Department of Commerce under the CERB program the for the purpose of expanding its Industrial/Manufacturing area that includes the Skookum Creek Tobacco Factory to include space to accommodate finished goods, raw materials, equipment and additional staff; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Squaxin Island Tribe hereby commits a minimum of 10% match in the form of financing towards this project; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council authorizes the securing of a commercial loan to fund the Tribe's portion of this project for up to \$1,684,687; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Executive Director, or Deputy Executive Director to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters and documents requiring Tribal authorization on this particular project, including specifically the contingency agreement attached to this resolution.; **and**

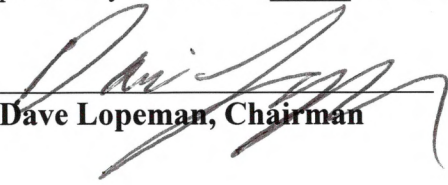
THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that these authorities shall be for the duration of the project.

CERTIFICATION


The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 28

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day of January 2010, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 
Pete Kruger, Sr., Secretary


Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman