

## **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**

### RESOLUTION NO. 11-68

#### 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 is empowered to acquire, manage, lease, or use Tribal real property under its Constitution, Article III, Section 1(b), and its inherent authority; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council desires to provide for emergency housing for Tribal Members, on certain terms and conditions.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby adopts the attached Emergency Housing Policy and directs Island Enterprises, Inc. to create and manage emergency housing consistent with the terms of the policy.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 7 day of October, 2011, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

Peter Kruger, Sr., Secretary

Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman

# **EMERGENCY HOUSING POLICY**

The Squaxin Island Tribe, through the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, desires to provide emergency housing to Tribal Members. The Squaxin Island Tribe desires to provide housing in particular circumstances. This policy represents the terms and conditions upon which emergency housing shall be provided.

- 1. **Property:** The property and residence located at 271 Whitener Road, Shelton, WA, 98584 shall be utilized for emergency housing.
- 2. **Qualifications:** In order to qualify for emergency housing the applicant must:
  - (A) Be a Squaxin Island Tribe Member;
  - (B) Qualify as a low income family, defined as a family whose income does not exceed 80% of the median income for the area or the United States, whichever is greater;
  - (C) Either be; (1) homeless; (2) the victim of domestic violence; (3) suffer a financial or personal hardship that requires housing assistance; or (4) suffer from such other condition or circumstance that would qualify for emergency housing, as determined by the Squaxin Island Tribal Council; and
  - (D) Test negative on a drug and alcohol test, approved by Island Enterprises.

Only those approved members of the applicant's family shall be allowed to reside in the emergency housing, and in no event shall an applicant who is the victim of domestic violence allow the perpetrator of such domestic violence reside, visit, or be present upon the property.

3. <u>Term:</u> Emergency housing shall be provided to a qualified applicant for no longer than three (3) months, unless extended upon terms and conditions as approved by Tribal Council every two (2) months.

- 4. Rent: Rent shall be paid on a sliding fee basis, but in no event shall rent be more than twenty percent (20%) of the applicant's net income. In the event the applicant has no income, rent can be waived; however, the waiver of rent may be conditioned upon applicant performing certain work or services, as agreed between the parties. Unless rent is waived, the applicant must also pay any and all utilities associated with the property.
- 5. Written Agreement: The applicant will be required to enter a written agreement for emergency housing. That agreement shall include, but not be limited to, the terms and conditions of this policy, together with a provision that the terms of the agreement may be enforced in the Squaxin Island Tribal Court.
- 6. <u>Management:</u> Island Enterprises, Inc., shall be responsible for implementing this policy and the management of the emergency housing property.
- 7. Placement: Tribal Council will make the final placement decisions.
- 8. Other Use of the Property: Nothing in this policy shall preclude Tribal Council from using the property designated for emergency housing for such other purposes, or under other terms and conditions, as it deems appropriate.

This policy having been approved by the Squaxin Island Tribal Council on October 7, 2011, via Resolution No. 11-68.