

### SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE



#### **RESOLUTION NO. 20-49**

#### 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;

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;

**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;

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

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United State Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning on January 27, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee signed a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state; and

**WHEREAS,** the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 as high, and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur and the best way to prevent a calamitous explosion of cases is to prevent infected people from coming close contact with healthy ones; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2020 the Squaxin Island Tribe declared a State of Emergency;

**WHEREAS,** on March 16, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee imposed restrictions prohibiting gatherings of fifty (50) people or more and implementing measures to contain the spread of the virus; and

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**WHEREAS,** on March 17, 2020, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention issued recommendations limiting gatherings to ten (10) persons or fewer; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 20, 2020 the Squaxin Island Tribe made a disaster declaration due to an increase of positive tests of COVID-19 in and around Western Washington; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee imposed a "Stay home, Stay Healthy" order requiring every Washingtonian to stay home unless they are engaged in an essential activity and banning all gatherings for social, spiritual, and recreational purposes and ordering all businesses to close unless they are designated as an essential business;

**WHEREAS,** the Squaxin Island Tribe was forced to close Tribally owned businesses that were not designated as essential, such as the Little Creek Casino and Resort, and many other Tribal businesses suffered losses as a result of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS,** these disruptions to the Tribe's small businesses and those they employ are serious, as small businesses are the backbone of our Tribal economy and provide the foundation of employment, services for the community, and revenue for the Tribe to fund essential and social services for the public welfare and benefit; and

**WHEREAS,** resources are necessary to help the Tribe's small businesses survive and certain small businesses reasonably require public aid in order to survive; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby approves the attached COVID-19 Emergency Small Business Interruption Grant; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes its Chairman Kris Peters or Tribal Administrator Marvin Campbell to execute any all actions necessary to implement the Grant Program.

#### **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 24th day of September, 2020, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of <u>6</u> for and <u>0</u> against with 0 abstentions.

Kris Peters, Chairman

Charlene Krise

Attested by: Jeremie Walls (S

Jeremie Walls, Secretary

Charlene Krise (Sep 25, 2020 12:04 PDT)

Charlene Krise, Vice Chairman

Kristopher K. Peters (Sep 25, 2020 11:39 PDT)

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