



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 00-57

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, pursuant to Article 3 of the Treaty of Medicine Creek, reaffirms that "the right of taking fish", at all usual and accustomed grounds and stations is further secured to said Indians in common with all citizens..." **and**,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes the necessity to develop environmental studies, assessments, and reviews concerning the natural resources on Tribal lands and Usual and Accustomed Areas, in order to manage, preserve, and protect those resources and to prepare for dispute resolution in matters of a legal nature, **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council finds that it is authorized and empowered to authorize the Natural Resources Department Director to conduct environmental studies, assessments, and reviews and implement environmental restoration activities on Tribal lands and Usual and Accustomed Areas as indicated in Article 3 of the Treaty of Medicine Creek, **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council authorizes the Council Chairman of Squaxin Island Tribe and/or the Executive Director to approve the use of funding resources, provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the Water Management,

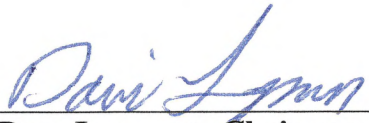
Planning and Pre-development (Water Resources) Program to conduct environmental studies, assessments, and reviews and implements environmental restoration activities on Tribal lands and Usual and Accustomed Areas as indicated in Article 3 of the Treaty of Medicine Creek.

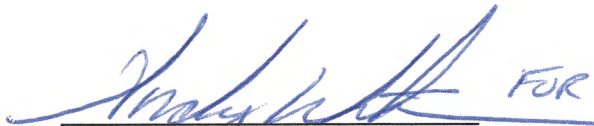
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to conduct environmental studies, assessments and reviews and implement environmental restoration activities on Tribal lands and in Usual and Accustomed Areas as indicated in Article 3 of the Treaty of Medicine Creek, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Chairman and/or the Executive Director shall be the signatories authorizing the use of funding resources provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs 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 11th day of July, 2000, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


Dave Lopeman, Chairman

 FOR
Cal Peters, Vice Chairman

Attested by: Charlene Poste FOR
Pete Kruger, Sr., Secretary