

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 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 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, Section 105 (c) of NAHASDA requires a Tribal Certification for Environmental Review "in a form acceptable to the Secretary;" and,

WHEREAS, the HUD National Office of Native American Programs, NAHASDA Guidance No. 98-08 and form HUD-52735 (1/98) specify that "the requirement to certify to environmental requirements was replaced with an optional *Environmental Review-Expression of Intent*."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby provide the following Environmental Review - Expression of Intent as an attachment to the Tribe's Fiscal Year 2000 Indian Housing Plan:

Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act

Environmental Review - Expression of Intent

To facilitate the completion of environmental review responsibilities under the Indian Housing Block Grant program, this Expression of Intent will provide HUD with information needed to assist the tribe in completion of these activities and to schedule resources needed to complete environmental review responsibilities. Environmental reviews are completed for individual activities included in the Indian Housing Plan. The tribe can choose to complete the environmental review for some or all activities and can decide at a later date to change its decision.

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The tribe plans to assume the status of a responsible Federal official under the \checkmark National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the other provisions of law listed in 24 CFR 58.5 insofar as the provisions of the Act and such other provisions of law apply to the Indian tribe's proposed program pursuant to 24 CFR part 58.

The tribe plans to request HUD to fulfill environmental review responsibilities stated above pursuant to 24 CFR part 50.

The tribe plans to work with HUD and provide information and studies to HUD to allow HUD to fulfill environmental review responsibilities stated above pursuant to 24 CFR part 50.

The tribe plans to assume the responsibilities stated above except for the following listed activities for which it will request HUD to fulfill the environmental review responsibilities.

form HUD-52735 (1/98)

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 1/2 day of July, 2001 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of $\underline{4}$ for and $\underline{2}$ against with \mathcal{O} abstentions.

David Lopeman, Chairman

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Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman