



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION No. 01- 59

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 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, the Squaxin Island Tribe is a member of a tribal consortium, the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA), that manages contracts and services, especially in the areas of health and social services; **and**,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA) is to provide intertribal planning, program and resource development, direct services, financial assistance, and technical assistance in the promotion of the general welfare of its five participating tribal communities in Southwest Washington; **and**,

WHEREAS, one of the main SPIPA focuses is promoting the welfare and wellness of Indian elders within the Squaxin service area, including providing a) information to elder caregivers about available services, b) assistance to elder caregivers in gaining access to the services, c) individual counseling, organization of support groups, and elder caregiver training to assist them in making decisions and solving problems relating to their care giving roles, and d) respite care to enable caregivers of the most needy Indian elders (based on health status, social and economic need) to be temporarily relieved from their care giving responsibilities; **and**,

WHEREAS, limited support services are available for caregivers of Indian elders within the Squaxin service area; **and**,

WHEREAS, SPIPA has been advised of the availability of approximately \$35,000 per year split between Skokomish and Squaxin Island Tribes in FY02-04 funding through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Administration on Aging (AOA), a Title VI supplemental formula grants program for federally recognized tribal governments and Indian organizations to develop/provide support services for family caregivers; **and**

WHEREAS, SPIPA tribal communities would benefit tremendously from receiving the support services for caregivers of Indian elders; **and**

WHEREAS, no match is required, but the tracking and reporting of services is required as with other existing DHHS-AOA Title VI funding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize SPIPA to prepare, submit, negotiate, execute, and administer with DHHS a FY02-04 AOA Title VI supplemental formula grant to help Squaxin service area families care for Indian elders with a chronic illness or disability by providing funds for a multifaceted system of support services for family caregivers on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, the Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring Tribal Authorization on this particular project, and that these authorities shall be for the duration of the project.

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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 26th day of July, 2001, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.

Steve R. Sigo
David Lopeman, Chairman
Steve Sigo, Treasurer

Attested by: Pete Kruger Sr.
Pete Kruger, Sr, Secretary

Andy Whitener
Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman

