



# SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

## RESOLUTION NO. 01- 85

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 death of a family member often burdens the surviving family members with funeral costs that are beyond their financial ability to cope with, **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council approved **Resolution 87 – 41** which established a funeral fund and designated the funeral expense amount which would be provided to tribal members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has determined that the funeral policy is in need of updating and desired to rescind **Resolution 87 – 41**; **and**

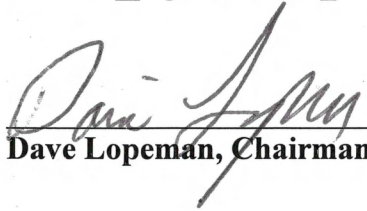
**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council desires to adopt a new Funeral Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto.

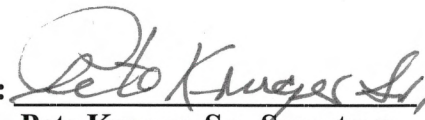
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby rescind **Resolution 87 – 41** of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby adopts the attached funeral policy.

**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 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.

  
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**Dave Lopeman, Chairman**

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

  
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**Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman**

## **FUNERAL POLICY**

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council desires to assist Tribal members with the burden of funeral costs and have established a line item in their budget to do so. Effective September 27, 2001, assistance with funeral expenses will be provided as follows:

- Upon the death of a tribal member, a check in the amount of \$2,000 will be provided to the family;
- Upon the death of a spouse of a tribal member, a check in the amount of \$1,000 will be provided to the family; and
- Upon the death of a dependent, who is not a tribal member, under the age of 18 years, a check in the amount of \$1,000 will be provided to the family.

The checks will be made out to the mortuary and the family member who contracted with the mortuary.

Families have the option of purchasing a casket from the Tribe rather than through the funeral home. If a casket is purchased from the tribe, the current cost of the casket will be deducted from the amount of the above-mentioned check.