

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 03-7Z 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, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; 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 Tribal Council directed staff to pursue a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) under which the Squaxin Island Tribe would be treated as the equivalent of a state-licensed cigarette wholesaler without either waiving the Tribe's sovereign immunity or exposing the Tribe to increased state jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, staff has concluded negotiation with the state Department of Revenue of a cigarette wholesaling MOA pursuant to the direction provided by the Squaxin Island Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has agreed that the Tribe should enter into the cigarette wholesaling MOA negotiated by the Tribe and the state.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby agrees to sign the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Squaxin Island Tribe and the

Washington State Department of Revenue Concerning Authority to Affix Stamps to Cigarettes for the Purpose of Entry of Such Cigarettes into the State of Washington (hereafter, the "MOA") (copy in draft form attached hereto); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby authorizes David Lopeman to sign the MOA on behalf of the Tribe.

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 30th day of September, 2003 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 2 against with 4 abstentions.

David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

Vince Henry, Sr., Secretary

Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman