



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 04-49

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 Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self government;

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, a privilege of membership is access to certain goods and services, including housing, health and education benefits, employment preference and treaty resources;

WHEREAS, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of enrollees and demand for these goods and services, employment preference and treaty resources;

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly difficult for the Tribe to meet the current demand for these goods and services, employment preference and treaty resources for its members;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council continues to evaluate the demand and delivery for goods and services, employment preference and treaty resources, but needs to address the immediate effects of the increased demand;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Tribal Council has determined to suspend some but not all privileges of membership and to further evaluate the best means to redress the demands caused by increased enrollment.

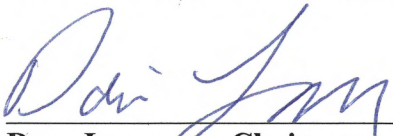
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the treaty harvest privilege for fish and shellfish (including but not limited to clams, oysters and geoduck) and per capita and dividend payments for new enrollees, other than those born to or adopted by a current tribal member, shall be suspended for five years from the date of his or her enrollment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such persons shall be entitled to other benefits and privileges of being a member of the Squaxin Island Tribe, including treaty hunting and gathering rights, health and employment preference benefits.

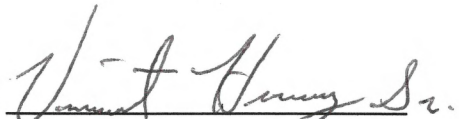
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

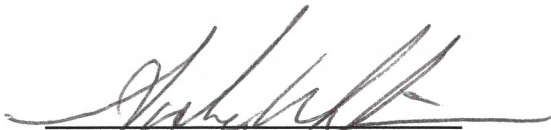
The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 8th day of July 2004 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.



Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 

Vince Henry, Sr., Secretary



Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman