



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 04-65

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 tribal members, and of 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; 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, it is the goal and responsibility of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council to provide for the development of tourism as part of the Tribe's overall economic development strategy and plan, and to preserve, enhance and protect cultural resources for the community as a whole, while continuing to educate the public about Squaxin Island culture; and

WHEREAS, it is a priority of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council to support the establishment of organizations and associations that will assist in carrying out goals and responsibilities as set forth by the Tribal Council in regards to the development of tourism; and

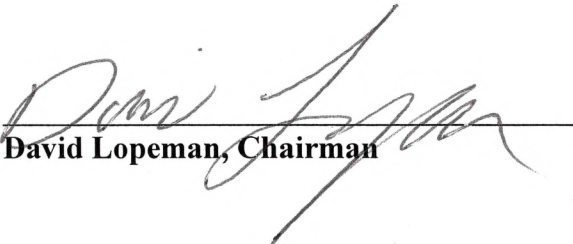
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council wishes to become a full member of the Olympic Peninsula Tribal Tourism Association (OPTTA), through adoption of the attached Memorandum of Agreement (MOA); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council wishes to become a full member of OPTTA, and will appoint both a regular and an alternate representative, whose responsibility will be to uphold and carry out the goals and responsibilities of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council as set forth above, and the responsibilities to OPTTA as set forth in the attached MOA; and

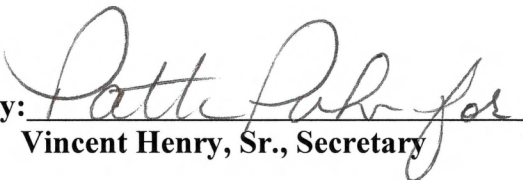
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that in addition, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council will commit \$1,000.00 in travel monies as an “in kind” contribution for the representative or alternate representative to attend OPTTA meetings, seminars and workshops and an additional \$1,000.00 as a cash contribution to hold an OPTTA tourism marketing seminar and workshop on the Squaxin Island Reservation that will be open to all government staff and community members who wish to attend.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 30th day of September, 2004, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.



David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 

Vincent Henry, Sr., Secretary



Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman



OPTTA Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

Under this MOA, the Squaxin Island Tribe and the Olympic Peninsula Tribal Tourism Association (OPTTA) mutually agree to the following:

The Tribe agrees to:

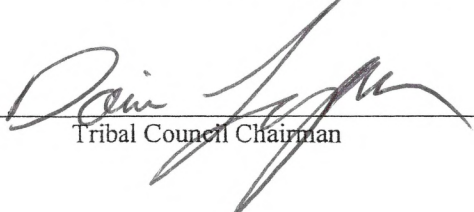
- Support the formation of OPTTA as a legal entity under state and federal law.
- Appoint representatives and alternates to attend OPTTA meetings, seminars and workshops.
- On an annual basis, commit \$ 1,000 in travel funds for your tribal representative to attend OPTTA related meetings, seminars, workshops etc. as "in kind" contribution.
- On an annual basis, commit \$ 1,000 as a cash donation for tourism related marketing seminars and workshop to be held on your reservation; also as an "in kind" contribution.
- Include Olympic First Nations Trail project in individual tribal BIA Transportation Plans.

OPTTA agrees to:

- OPTTA to formally organize as an association with bylaws and OPTTA Board of Directors.
- Provide quarterly newsletters to all member tribes, partnership members, and transportation/tourism stakeholders.
- Assist in the distribution of individual tribal visitor/tourism brochures to all visitor information centers on Olympic Peninsula.
- Develop OPTTA web site. All individual OPTTA member web sites to have links to OPTTA Web Site. OPTTA to provide links between it's web site and other tribal organizational web sites such as ATNI, NCAI, etc. and other tourism related web sites at county, sub-state regional, state wide, multi-state regional, and national levels.
- OPTTA to provide letters of support and "in kind" contributions, where feasible, to all member tribes for their individual tribal transportation and tourism projects.
- For each member tribe, organize and coordinate a tourism marketing seminar and workshop for tribal enterprise/business leaders and tribal entrepreneurs.
- Work with OPTTA member tribes to develop final Olympic First Nations Trail project proposal, work plan, and budget.
- Continue to garner stakeholder/public support, and funding commitments for the Olympic First Nations Trail project.
- Prepare grant applications to fund the continuing operation of OPTTA and phase one planning of the Olympic First Nations Trail Project.

In addition, the Squaxin Island Tribe and the Olympic Peninsula Tribal Tourism Association agree that:

1. This Memorandum of Agreement is effective on date of last signature, and continues in effect until terminated in writing by either party.
2. This Memorandum of Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing 90 days written notice to the other party.
3. Each party hereto agrees to be responsible and assume liability for its own wrongful or negligent acts or omissions, or those of its officers, agents or employees to the full extent required by law, and agrees to hold the other party harmless from any such liability.



Tribal Council Chairman

_____ Date

 6/10/04

OPTTA Sponsor Tribe
(Authorized Signature) Date