

# **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**

### RESOLUTION NO. 05-01

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## 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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services SAMHSA, (Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration), has announced the availability of grant funds through the Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant Program to expand substance abuse treatment capacity in targeted areas of need; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have a proportionally high rate of substance abuse compounded by co-occurring disorders that leads to relapse and lack the necessary follow through services needed to increase the success rate of recovery; and

WHEREAS, NWITC, (Northwest Indian Treatment Center), operative under the jurisdiction of the Squaxin Island Tribe, provides residential and outpatient alcohol and drug treatment to a primarily Native American population from Washington, Oregon and Idaho; and

WHEREAS, NWITC offers a wide variety of cultural activities and traditional/religious ceremonies specializes in unresolved trauma and grief related to chronic relapse patterns and;

WHEREAS, continued care and follow-up after treatment is critical to the success rate of clients coming out of residential facilities, presently there is no viable, culturally-competent program of this type available to Native American clientele in the State of Washington; and

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WHEREAS, NWITC recognizes the urgent need to expand and strengthen the treatment center through the development of an intensive culturally competent post-treatment program that to assist clients post-treatment supporting them on their continued path to recovery and preventing relapse from occurring; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant Program, for up to \$500,000 per year (up to three years), for the purpose of developing and implementing a culturally competent intensive post-treatment component that will provide a comprehensive support system to alumni assisting them on their path to recovery, preventing recidivism from occurring; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Executive Director, or Deputy Executive Director to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization on this particular project; **and** 

NOW THERFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that these authorities shall be for the duration of the project.

#### **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 _	<u>13</u> day of
January 2005, at which time a quorum was present and was	s passed by a
vote of for and against with abstentions.	
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Dave Lopeman, Chairman	
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