



# SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 05-62

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 by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior in 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 of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the tribe; **and**

**WHEREAS** the Tribe is a federally-recognized 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**

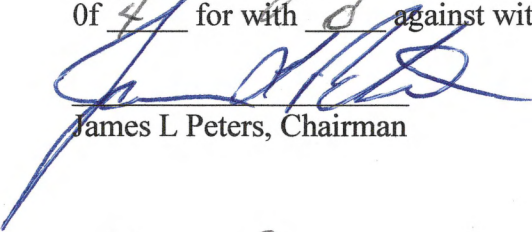
**WHEREAS**, The Thurston Conservation District, through their South Sound GREEN, (Global Rivers Environmental Education Network) Program, teaches watershed education to Students' grades 4 – 12 at Henderson Inlet, which was once, home to the Squaxin Island Tribal members. These watershed classes include; water quality, shellfish identification and different grow out methods, and inter-tidal benthic identification; **and**

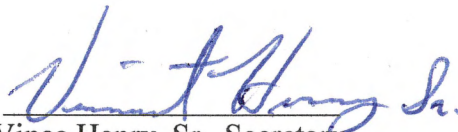
**WHEREAS**, the Thurston Conservation District feels it is important to teach the history of the Squaxin Island Tribe and their relationship to, knowledge of, and dependency upon shellfish and their environment, as well as contemporary culture and management of the shellfish resources of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as these are important components of Henderson Inlet, Olympia, Washington State and United States history; **and**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council approves and supports the watershed education efforts and teaching of Squaxin Island Tribal history and their relationship to shellfish historically, and contemporary shellfish culture and shellfish management, to students grades 4 through 12 by the Thurston Conservation District's, South Sound GREEN Program

**CERTIFICATION**

The Squaxin Island tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for with 0 against with 0 abstentions.

  
James L Peters, Chairman

Attested by:   
Vince Henry, Sr., Secretary

  
Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman