



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 06-94 A

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;

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;

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;

WHEREAS, in the litigation *United States of America, et al., v State of Washington, et al.*, United States District Court, Western District of Washington at Seattle, Case No. C70-9213, Subproceeding No. 89-3 (Shellfish), litigating the treaty rights of Indian Tribes in the region of Puget Sound, Washington, to take shellfish from public and private tidelands in Washington State, including from some lands owned, leased, or otherwise subject to harvest by commercial shellfish Growers;

WHEREAS, the parties agree that numerous unresolved issues remain outstanding regarding implementation of the Tribes' treaty right to take shellfish from lands owned, leased, or otherwise subject to harvest by the Growers;

WHEREAS, the Tribes, Growers, the United States Department of the Interior and the State of Washington, are interested in resolving any and all disputes between and among them regarding

the implementation of the Tribes' treaty right to take shellfish from lands owned or leased by the Growers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby approves the Settlement Agreement (as attached);

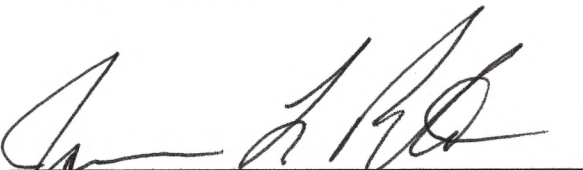
NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the tribal attorney is hereby authorized to sign the consent decree;

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby authorized to sign the Settlement Agreement, approving the distribution of settlement monies consistent with the 1999 memorandum; and

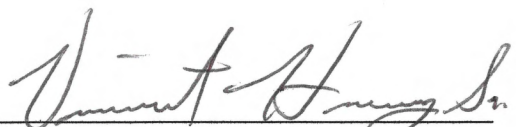
NOW BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairman and/or his delegate are hereby authorized to negotiate the terms of an intertribal agreement required by the Settlement Agreement and to negotiate a distribution of the Region 7 share.

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 28th day of September, 2006, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.



James L. Peters, Chairman

Attested by: 
Vincent Henry, Sr., Secretary



Andrew D. Whitener, Vice Chairman