

## **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**

# RESOLUTION NO. 07-88

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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 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, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council further finds that tax revenues are essential to the Tribe's ability to provide goods and services, and to finance government operations and economic development, for the safety, health and welfare of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, and those who work on, live on and visit the Tribe's Indian country; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council further finds that there are substantial unmet needs in funding for road construction and maintenance, transportation services, public safety, infrastructure, and governmental programs that serve Tribal members, employees, customers, and other residents of and visitors to Indian country; and

WHEREAS, Washington State and the Tribe in the Cigarette Tax Compact between the Squaxin Island Tribe and State of Washington have reached an agreement regarding jurisdiction over and the taxation of cigarettes; and

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WHEREAS, the State is not authorized by existing law to enter a cigarette tax compact with the Frank's Landing Indian Community; and

WHEREAS, Frank's Landing Indian Community and the Tribe have reached a mutually beneficial agreement under which the Tribe's Compact and cigarette tax laws shall apply to a portion of the Community's land, providing stable funding for essential government services, economic development, and job creation for both parties;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Squaxin Island Tribal Council authorizes the Chairman to enter into and implement the attached Intergovernmental Agreement between the Squaxin Island Tribe and the Frank's Landing Indian Community.

#### **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 <u>13th</u> day of <u>Delember</u>, 2007, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of <u>for and of against, with of abstentions.</u>

Jim Peters, Chairman

Attested by:

Vincent Henry, Sr., Secretary

Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman