



# SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 68-23

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 the 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**, federally recognized Indian Tribes have an absolute right to health care from the Federal Government, based on treaty rights, on Congressional Acts, on Federal Court decisions, and on the Federal Government's trust responsibility to Indian Tribes; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribe is committed to improving the health and welfare of its people to provide the highest level of health care possible; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the Native People for Cancer Control at the University of Washington has been awarded a pilot grant through the National Cancer Institute to identify barriers and facilitators for mammography screening among older American Indian/Alaska Native women; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the lead investigator at the University of Washington has consulted with the director for South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency Women's Wellness program and the director of the Squaxin Island Health and Human Services Department, to ensure that the research will be conducted in a competent manner and according to Squaxin Island law.; **and,**

**WHEREAS**, the lead investigator at the University of Washington has presented this research project to the Elders Committee of the Squaxin Island Tribe to incorporate any comments and concerns and to ensure that the research will be conducted in a competent and culturally respectful manner, and received their support for this project;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Council grants permission to the University of Washington to Conduct a pilot study to determine reasons why American Indian women 50 years and older do not utilize mammography screening. This project will include a focus group with tribal members over 49 years of age that we eligible to receive mammography screening through the SPIPA Women's Wellness Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Squaxin Island grants permission to the Native People for Cancer Control at the University of Washington to collect an s use all aggregate information for the purpose of disseminating results from analyses of the data.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the specific information collected within the boundaries of the Squaxin Island Tribe belongs to the Squaxin Island Tribe and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies or organizations without further tribal authorization.

#### 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.

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**Jim Peters, Chairman**

Attested by: *Vince Henry, Sr.* <sup>FCR.V.11.</sup>  
**Vince Henry, Sr., Secretary**

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**Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman**