



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 09-48

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; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; 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 an established commitment to and history of working to obtain funding from various sources, including federal and tribal funding, for on-reservation and off-reservation transportation projects of importance to the Tribe and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, public transportation is an ongoing need in rural areas, especially in Southeastern Mason County where the Squaxin Island tribe currently operates a free public transportation service (Squaxin Transit) in partnership with the Mason County Transportation Authority (Mason Transit) for Squaxin and non-Squaxin riders with connections to neighboring transit services; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council remains committed to supporting and enhancing the operation of Squaxin Transit with cash and in-kind matching funds, ensuring that reliable public transportation is available to access opportunities for successful employment, improved quality of life, and self-sufficiency; and

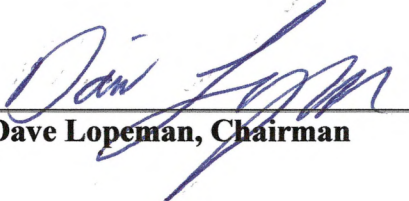
WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced the availability of funding provided by the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program (Tribal Transit Program (TTP)), for existing transit services capital projects, operating costs of equipment and facilities for use in public transportation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby support the submittal of a grant proposal of up to \$ 260,000.00, for operating expenses needed for bus driver and dispatch coordinator as recommended in the Transit Implementation Plan, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Executive Director, or Deputy Executive Director during an absence of the Executive Director, to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization regarding the FTA Tribal Transit Program grant application and that these authorities shall be for the duration of the grant.

CERTIFICATION

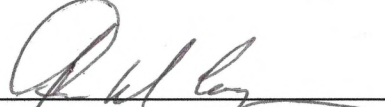
The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 11th day of June 2009, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 3 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.



Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 

Pete Kruger Sr., Secretary



Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman