

April 30, 1975

RESOLUTION NO. 75-37
of the
SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Indian Reservation by authority of the Constitution and By-Laws 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 Squaxin Island Tribal Council is desirous of taking a course of action to acquire all lands on the Squaxin Island Indian Reservation, all Indian and Non-Indian owned lands, and have this land put in Trust Status for the Squaxin Island Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council requests the Small Tribes Organization of Western Washington to immediately implement a course of action as provided by the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 48 Stat. 985 Section 5, The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized in his discretion to acquire through purchase, relinquishment, gift, exchange, or assignment, any interest in land, water rights, or surface rights to land, within or without existing reservation, included trust or otherwise restricted allotment, whether the allottee be living or deceased for the purpose of providing land for Indians where the acquisition of such lands, interests in lands, water rights, and surface rights, and for expenses incident to such acquisition, and is authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 in any one fiscal year.

The unexpended balances of any appropriation made pursuant to this section shall remain available until expended. Title to any land or rights acquired pursuant to Section 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 470, 471, 473, 474, 475, 476, 478, 479, of this title shall be taken in the name of the United States in trust for the pending tribe or individual pending for which the land is acquired and such land or rights shall be exempt from state and local taxes (June 18, 1934, C. 576 Section 48 Stat. 985).

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, through land value surveys, estimates the value of the land on Squaxin Island to be approximately two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Council authorizes the acquisition of all Indian and Non-Indian owned lands on Squaxin Island and directs that these lands be put in trust for the Squaxin Island Tribe by the United States Government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council requests the Small Tribes Organization of Western Washington take a course of action as provided for in the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 48 Stat. 985 Section 5. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized in his discretion to acquire through purchase, relinquishment, gift, exchange, or assignment, any interest in land, water rights, or surface rights to land, within or without existing reservation, included trust or otherwise restricted allotment, whether the allottee be living or deceased for the purpose of providing land for Indians where the acquisition of such lands, interests in lands, water rights, and surface rights, and for expenses incident to such acquisition, and is authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 in any one fiscal year.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council authorizes their Tribal Chairman and Business Manager, Calvin J. Peters, to work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, STOWW, Federal Government, and National Legislative people to implement this Resolution immediately.

CERTIFICATION

The Foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on April 28, 1975, at which time a quorum of Council Members were present and was passed by a vote of 3 for and 0 against.


Calvin J. Peters, Chairman

ATTESTED BY:


Sally Ann Norman, Secretary


Bryan A. Johnson, Vice-Chairman