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SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

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RESOLUTION NO. 79-8
of the
SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians by the 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 has reviewed the "Rules for Contract Health Services", Subpart C - Contract Health Service, 36.22 Establishment of Contract Health Service delivery areas, August 4, 1978 Federal Code of Regulations, and;

WHEREAS, the primary source of health care being Indian Health Service-Contract Health Care means people in this area either are in an all or nothing position of health care, and;

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council believes that because our reservation and other reservations and traditional lands are small and scattered throughout the Puget Sound Service Unit area and that the population at any one of these Tribal Communities are composed of a number of extended family groups and that our people traditionally and culturally are mobile and live and inter-marry without regard for artificial boundary; and must avoid intra-community marriage over the short and long term of generations because of heredity and cultural implications, and;

WHEREAS, recently historical mobility has become vitally essential because of poor or non-existent housing; poor or non-existent utility service; employment for livelihood in accordance with level of individual abilities care for relatives and in-laws; better and less discriminatory schools for Indian children; and frequently to seek a varied and better quality of health care for family and relatives, and;

WHEREAS, each of the nine tribes that comprise the Puget Sound Service Unit have their tribal membership disbursed throughout the proposed Service Area, who maintain social and economic ties with their home reservation, as well as other reservations in the Service Area. The total area historically and traditionally held the Puget Sound Tribes as a mutual living area, and;

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, in light of the above Indian tradition and the continuing movement patterns of our Indian people, and our social structure requests that Indian Health Service redefine the "Contract Health Service Area" for the Squaxin Island Tribe to include the six county areas of Snohomish, Pierce, Thurston, Mason, King and Kitsap counties that make up the 9 Tribe Puget Sound Service Unit, Indian Health Service Area, (see attached map) and;

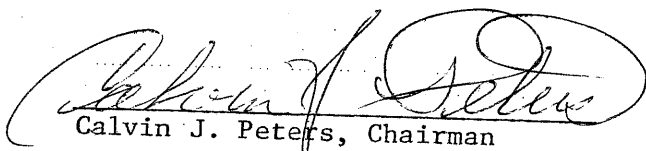
WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribes total service population that resides within the six county area is approximately 868 in accordance with our census polls that have been completed. The present county option approach would result in an exclusion of an estimated 27.6% of eligible Indian Health Service-Contract Health Services. (see attached map with approximate number of Indians living within each county) and;


WHEREAS, the proposed designation would facilitate management of Health Program as well as ensure a homogenous people regardless of official affiliation, the necessary health services.

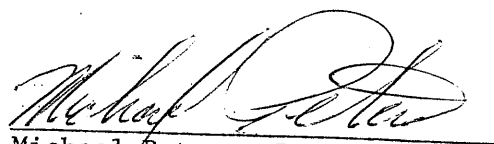
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby requests the Director of the Indian Health Service to review or request for redefinition of the Squaxin Island Tribe's service area for the Indian Health Service Contract Health Services to include the above six Counties taking into consideration those factors stated above in regards to the nine tribes small size and scattered locations, the social structure of the Puget Sound Service Unit Tribes, the number of tribal members that would be excluded for service utilizing the county option, the Puget Sound Service Unit Administration ease of administering the Contract Health Service Program to a concentrated area versus the present scattered and sometimes difficult program to monitor as to eligibility requirements of living within a county or reservation boundaries which are many and complex in the Puget Sound Service Unit Area.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council held on this 16th day of April, 1979 at which time a quorum was present and passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against.

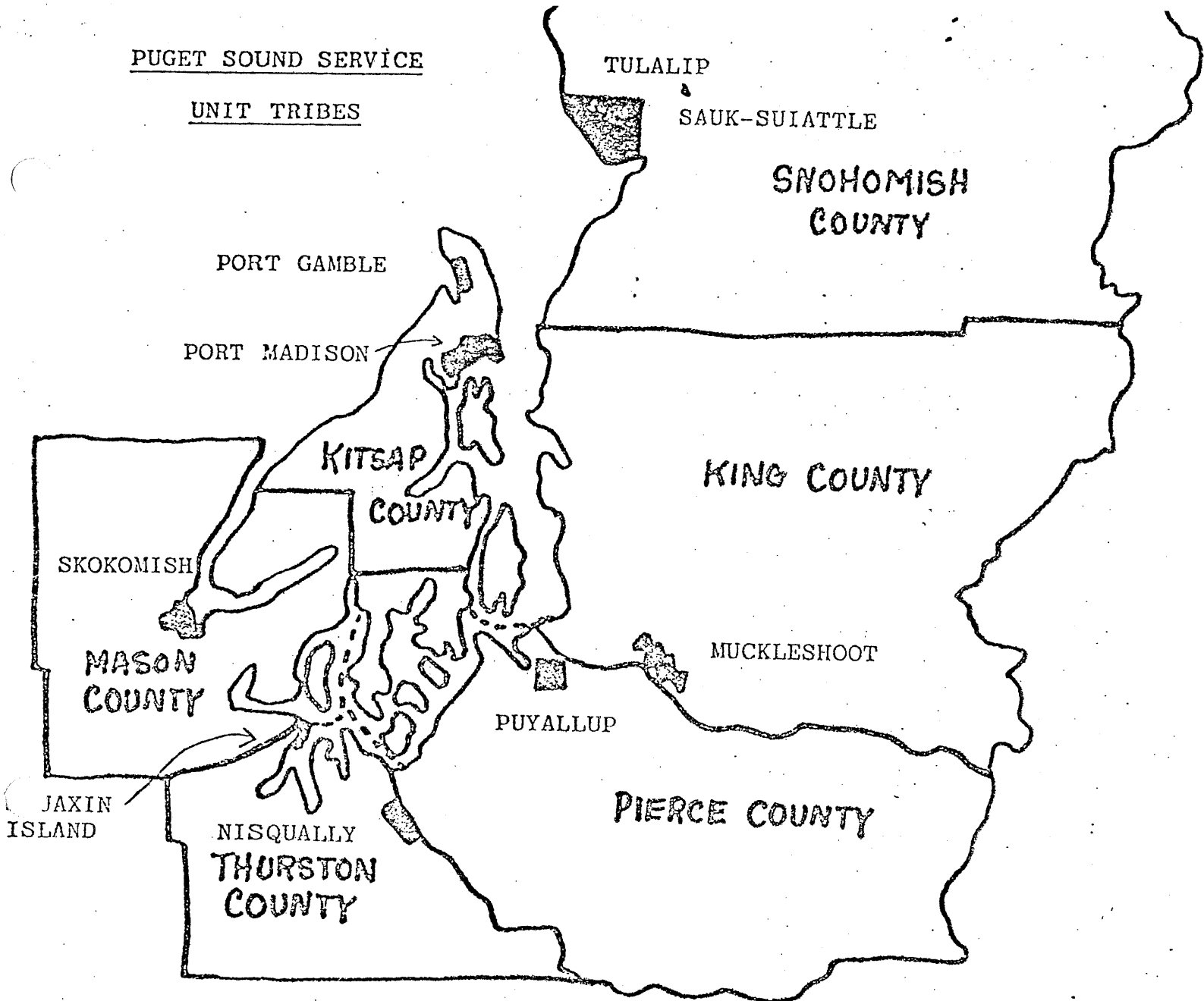

Calvin J. Peters, Chairman


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Attested by: 
Michael Peters, Secretary

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UNIT TRIBES



Number of SQUAXIN ISLAND ~~XXXXXX~~ Resident Indian Population living in the above 6 counties:
 (name of tribe)

Snohomish	2
King	5
Pierce	18
Thurston	280
Mason	554
Kitsap	9
Total	868