

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBI

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resolution no. 80-3
of the
squaxin island tribal council

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe 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 Governor of the State of Washington has declared the Puget Sound net fishing industry a disaster, and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe and its members are dependent upon the commercial harvest of salmon and steelhead for its cultural, ceremonial, substance, and economic livelihood, and

WHEREAS, the return of fish in 1979 to Squaxin Island Tribal usual and accustomed fishing grounds and stations were at a level which was below escapement goals or allowed only a limited harvest, and

WHEREAS, an estimated 100 tribal members actively participate in the exercising of the Tribal Treaty right to fish, and

WHEREAS, each is an otherwise financially sound small business which has suffered substantial economic injury as a result of the economic dislocation and which will either become insolvent or be unable to return quickly to their former level of operation,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council proclaims a state of emergency in that the Squaxin Island Tribal net fishing industry is a disaster due to drought conditions in prior years creating this years low return of fish and corresponding decrease in per capata income.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, on behalf of its Tribal fishermen, request emergency services from State and Federal agencies in the form of financial assistance which is not otherwise available on reasonable terms.

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CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 16 day of Jan. 19^{80} , at which time a quorum was passed by a vote of for and against.

Calvin J. Peters, Ch

Bryan A. Johnson, Vice Chairman

Attested by:

Michael A. Peters, Secretary