

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIB

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RESOLUTION NO. 81- 20 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, 1964; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is responsible for the health and well being of the Tribe's members, including the obtaining and/or provision (through PL 93-638 contracts) of health services; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Service has proposed, in the Federal Register of December 16, 1980, to expand the definition of persons eligible for services through Indian Health Service (under 42 CFR Part 36); and

WHEREAS, Indian Health Service allocations have been historically inadaquate to meet the health needs of the Indian peoples; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rule changes would broaden the qualifications to receive services through Indain Health Service to include questionable qualifiers, such as "residence on tax-exempt land"; and

WHEREAS, the new qualifiers do not limit services to Indians who are Tribal members/enrolled, or spouses of enrolled tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the broad definition proposed by Public Health Service maylead to services being extended to persons achieving eligibility through loop-hole interpretations of those proposed revisions; and

WHEREAS, such loop-hole eligibility would further dilute inadaquate financial resources intended to support the United States' moral and treaty obligations to Indian peoples;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council opposes the referenced rule changes on eligiblity under 42 CFR Part 36; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council opposes any dilution of health resources for Indian peoples.

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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 <u>21st</u> day of <u>February</u>, at which time a quorum was present and passed by a vote of <u>3</u> for, <u>0</u> against, quorum of 3.

son, Chairman

ATTESTED BY: David Lopeman, Secretary

David Vice Chairman

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