

## SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

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RESOLUTION NO. 84-63  
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 Indian Community is the Federally recognized descendent entity of the Squaxin Nation signatory to the Treaty of Medicine Creek and has unto this day retained and maintained its Tribal identity, its governing body, and certain sovereign powers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Treaty of Medicine Creek of 1854, the Squaxin Indian Community ceded to the United States government substantial amounts of land of which they had used and occupied since time immemorial in the vicinity of Puget Sound and reserved certain lands and rights inviolate of which hunting was specifically included; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe is the sovereign government that, by necessity and in fact, has the greatest interest in and responsibility for its members actions whenever they are claimed to involve the treaty secure rights of the Squaxin Tribe, and the Squaxin Tribe also is the sovereign with the greatest interest in and concern for the resources within its usual and accustomed areas since these are valuable and essential resources which the Tribe has to secure its present and future existence as a Tribe; and

WHEREAS, it is within the Squaxin Indian Tribe's authority to regulate the taking of game animals by its Tribal members within the Tribe's usual and accustomed hunting areas; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Tribe's primary jurisdiction and interests in the protection of treaty rights and resources and the regulation of the exercise of hunting rights clearly encompasses the use by Squaxin Indians of Tribal authorized permits for the taking and possession of game animals, and by Squaxin Indians who claim such game were taken or possessed pursuant to treaty secured rights of the Squaxin Tribe.

NOW LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT, the Squaxin Indian Tribe reaffirms its powers and intentions to regulate its Tribal Members in the taking and possessing of game animals, specifically the elk and deer within the Tribe's usual and accustomed hunting area in the following manner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Squaxin Indian Tribe will issue permits, to Tribal members only, upon application filed with the Secretary of the Tribe at the Tribal Office for the purpose of hunting deer and/or elk, for ceremonial and subsistence purposes only; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, these special permits will designate: (a) that the applicant will be allowed to take and possess one (1) elk or one (1) deer; (b) whether or not the Tribal member is authorized to take a doe or a buck; (c) the Tribal usual and accustomed hunting area within which the hunting will be permitted; (d) that the hunting is permitted for ceremonial and/or subsistence purposes under the Squaxin Tribe's rights secured by the Treaty of Medicine Creek; (e) the date by which the applicant must return the permit to the Tribal office, to be a reasonable time after the date of issuance, specifying the game killed and the time and place of taking the game; and

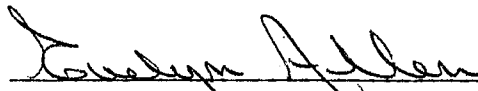
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Tribe hereby prohibits the taking and possession of female deer and female elk during the time of gestation and for a specified time thereafter wherein the young is dependent on their mother for survival.

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 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1984 at which time a quorum was present and passed by a vote of 3 for 0 against.



David W. Whitener, Chairman



Evelyn Allen, Vice-Chairperson

ATTESTED BY:

  
David Lopeman, Secretary