



## **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 85-50 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 is charged with providing Tribal Members with every opportunity for growth, development and employment; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council desires to promote economic development for all of Mason County as well as the Squaxin Island Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe has purchased 17 acres of additional land, adjacent to their Tribal complex in Kamilche for the purpose of promoting economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe plans to build their second fish hatchery on Skookum Creek on 6 acres of the newly acquired property, leaving 11 acres for other economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe believes that promoting tourism offers one of the best alternatives for economic growth; and

WHEREAS, various community groups in Mason County are working together to promote construction of a tourist information center; and

WHEREAS, the newly acquired property is located at the southern gateway to Mason County, only three miles from the Thurston County line; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Transportation will soon complete a new interchange in Kamilche providing easy access and proper directional signing to the property; and

WHEREAS, the newly acquired property is highly visible from both northbound and southbound highway 101.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council intends to actively pursue placement of a tourist information center on their newly acquired land in Kamilche and desires to work closely and cooperate with any governmental and community groups seeking to develop tourism in Mason County.