



ISLAND ENTERPRISES

RESOLUTION NO. FY 93-21
OF THE
SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the governing body of the Squaxin Island Indian Reservation by 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 been entrusted with conducting the business of the Squaxin Island Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education and economic development of the Indian people of the Squaxin Island Tribe is the responsibility of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe must negotiate a tribal-state compact if it wants to offer gambling operations other than traditional Indian games or bingo, obligating the State of Washington to negotiate in good faith; and

WHEREAS, IGRA, authorizes Class III gaming activities conducted in conformance with a Tribal-State compact if such activities are authorized by tribal ordinance or resolution, located in a State that permits such gaming for any purpose by any person, organization or entity. The IGRA contemplates good faith negotiations to enter into such a compact; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington has presented a Compact dated March 8, 1993, which represents the State's last best offer; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe and the State of Washington intended this Compact to continue recognition of and respect the sovereignty of the other in the course of conducting and regulating Class III gaming; and

WHEREAS, the overarching policy of IGRA is to provide a framework for the operation of gaming by Indian tribes as a means of promoting Tribal economic development, self sufficiency and strong Tribal governments, as well as providing a basis for the regulation of gaming by an Indian tribe adequate to shield it from organized crime and other corrupting influences, to ensure that the Indian tribe is the primary beneficiary of the gaming operation and to ensure that gaming is conducted fairly and honestly by both the operator and players; and

WHEREAS, this Tribal-State Compact is intended to be the immediate means by which the Tribe may lawfully conduct Class III gaming activities within the State by defining the manner in which laws regulating the conduct of gaming activities are to be applied; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Squaxin Island Tribe to exercise and retain its rights to regulate gaming activities upon its lands and reservation for the purposes of encouraging Tribal employment, economic and social development and funding of Tribal goals and services consistent with the Tribal Mission Statement while ensuring the prevention of corruption or infiltration by criminal or other unwanted influences and the fair operation of such gaming; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has considered the compact presented on March 8, 1993, and the course of negotiations; the Tribe considers further negotiations to be futile; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Squaxin Island Tribe authorizes the negotiating team to conclude negotiations and approve the March 8, 1993 compact as presented, and the Squaxin Island Tribe authorizes the Chairman of the Squaxin Island Tribe to execute the March 8, 1993, compact as presented and to do all acts and to provide all signatures necessary to obtain state and federal approval of the Tribal-State Compact.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on the 18th day of March 1993, at the Squaxin Island Tribal Offices, at Kamilche, Washington, and where a quorum was present and approving the resolution by a vote of 4 FOR and 0 AGAINST with 1 ABSTAINING.

Dave Lopeman
Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Dave Johns
Dave Johns, Vice Chairman

Attested By Mike Peters
Mike Peters, Secretary