

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE



RESOLUTION NO. 94-<u>68</u> 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, under the Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, the **Squaxin Island Tribal Council** is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, and general welfare of the Squaxin Island Tribal Reservation residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, on behalf of the community, places the highest priority on re-establishing a self-sufficient and self-contained lifestyle which is the traditional way of the people; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, has become aware that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans has announced its intent to provide financial assistance for improving the capability of Indian tribal governments to regulate environmental quality; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council believes environmental protection and respect for Mother Earth to be a traditional way of the people; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council initiated a very modest on-Reservation environemental program in 1993 with financial assistance provided by the U.S. EPA Multi-Media Program for a half-time staff position for one year; and,

WHEREAS, an environmental program was successfully initiated on the Squaxin Island Reservation, but much work remains to be completed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe does hereby approve submission of an application to the Administration for Native Americans requesting the Administration to fund full implementation of a tribal environmental regulatory program to include planning, writing environmental protection regulations and ordinances, developing environmental review and permitting procedures, meeting regulatory requirements of tribal and federal environmental laws, and developing an environmental monitoring and compliance program on the Squaxin Island Reservation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman or the Tribal Executive Director to be the Tribe's representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization on this particular project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these authorities shall be for the duration of this project.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 21 day of 1994, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against with abstentions.

David E. Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

David Whitener, Sr., Secretary

Cal Peters, Vice Chairman