

## SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO 97- 31  
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 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 increasing the educational opportunities of the Squaxin Island People; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that funding is available through the William Randolph Hearst Foundations for the purpose of establishing an endowment scholarship fund for Native American Students attending undergraduate programs or the Master in Teaching program at Evergreen State College; and,

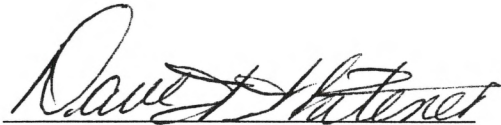
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the submittal of a joint proposal by the Evergreen State College and the South Puget Sound Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA), on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe, an application to the William Randolph Hearst Foundations to establish a \$50,000 endowment scholarship fund that will provide a \$2,500 award annually to a Native American student; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby commit that the Squaxin Island Tribe will participate in the applicant recruitment and selection process by informing Tribal members of the scholarship opportunity and designating tribal representatives to serve in reviewing and rating scholarship applications; and,

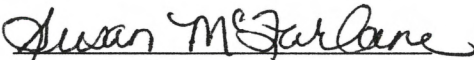
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman or the Tribal Executive Director to be the Tribe's representative in all future matters requiring Tribal Authorization for this project; and that these authorities shall be for the duration of the project.

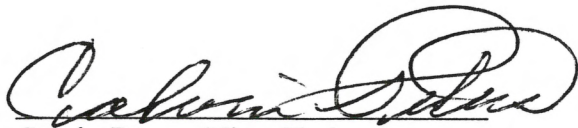
**CERTIFICATION**

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.



David Whitener, Chairman

Attested by:   
Susan McFarlane, Secretary



Calvin Peters, Vice Chairman

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Endowed Scholarship Fund for Native American Students  
Proposed Submission to the Hearst Foundation

--Abstract--

Prepared May 14, 1997

The Evergreen State College proposes to submit a joint proposal with the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA) to the William Randolph Hearst Foundations for the purpose of establishing a \$50,000 endowed scholarship fund for Native American students attending undergraduate programs or the Master in Teaching program.\*

The fund would provide \$2,500 to be awarded annually through a competitive application process to a Native American student according to criteria established collaboratively by the five SPIPA consortium tribes, SPIPA, and Evergreen. The reading and rating of applications and final selection of awardees will be coordinated by Evergreen, with readers consisting of representatives of the five consortium tribes (Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis, Nisqually, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish and Squaxin Island), SPIPA and Evergreen.

The scholarship fund would be managed by The Evergreen State College Foundation, in accordance with Foundation investment policies and procedures. Five percent of investment income from the endowment will be reserved to fund scholarships. Returns above that amount will be reinvested to grow the corpus of the fund. Scholarship recipients will be invited and encouraged to participate in Evergreen's standard scholarship donor stewardship activities, such as attending the annual Scholars Luncheon, and participating in letter writing parties to thank scholarship funders. Recipients will also abide by the college's established guidelines for scholarship maintenance, i.e. satisfactory progress toward the student's academic goals.

The Evergreen State College is committed to increasing access to higher education for Native American students and improving retention and graduation rates by offering programming and a campus environment conducive to these goals. Toward these ends, the College offers programming in Native American studies and a Native American student organization. Through its recently constructed Longhouse Cultural and Education Center, Evergreen hosts gatherings of local, regional, and national Native American groups for pow-wows, conferences, and cultural performances. The Native American Economic Development Arts Initiative provides marketing assistance, an artist-in-residence series, and tribal mini-grants to promote the work of Native artists, and the Evans Chair endowment has brought well-known native artists and activists, such as Sherman Alexi, Vi Hilbert and Buffy Saint Marie to campus for workshops and lectures. By these activities, spanning the course of several years, Evergreen is establishing a reputation for outreach and service to Native American populations throughout the state and beyond. We request the SPIPA consortium Tribes to join again with us in partnership to establish a scholarship fund at Evergreen for Native American students.

Evergreen proposes to submit a funding request to the Hearst Foundation in June, 1997, and requests support from the Tribes in the form of Tribal Resolutions in favor of establishing the scholarship fund and committing to participate in the applicant recruitment and selection process by informing tribal members of the scholarship opportunity and designating tribal representatives to serve in reviewing and rating scholarship applications.

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\* Evergreen has been advised by Hearst Foundation program officers to limit our request for funding to these academic programs.