

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 98-<u>4/</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 Bylaws 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 Bylaws 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 recognizes that the U.S. Bureau of the Census has determined that there was an undercount estimated at 12% of all American Indian and Alaskan Natives during the 1990 Census; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council believes that such an undercount occurred on the Squaxin Island Reservation in Mason County, Washington, during the 1990 Census; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council proclaims that additional housing units have been constructed and occupied on the Squaxin Island Reservation since the 1990 Census; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council recognizes that funding under NAHASDA for Housing Block Grants is allocated, in part, based on information from the 1990 Census; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has directed staff to conduct a new Census Survey for the Squaxin Island Reservation consistent with HUD's directions for *Challenging Decennial Census Data: Guidelines for the Indian Housing Block Grant Formula*; and,

WHEREAS, Squaxin Island Tribal staff completed a Census Survey for the Squaxin Island Reservation in June 1998.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council challenges the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census Data for only that portion of the Tribe's current Formula Area described as the "Squaxin Island Reservation and Trust Lands;" and,

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council accepts HUD's determination of housing and population statistics from the 1990 U.S. Decennial Census Data for those portions of the Tribe's current Formula Area described as "Balance-Grays Harbor County, Balance-Mason County, and Balance-Thurston County; and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council requests that the Department of Housing and Urban Development accept and use data for American Indian and Alaskan Native population and housing provided by the Tribe and attached herewith for the purposes of allocating NAHASDA Housing Block Grant funding in 1999 and 2000 for the Squaxin Island Reservation and Trust Lands, but that the Department of Housing and Urban Development continue to employ data from the Bureau of the Census for the Balance of Grays Harbor County, the Balance of Mason County, and the Balance of Thurston County.

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 $\frac{11^{47}}{1000}$ day of $\frac{1000}{1000}$, 1998 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of $\frac{4000}{1000}$ for and $\frac{1000}{1000}$ against with $\frac{1000}{10000}$ abstentions.

Dave Whitener, Chairman

Cal Peters, Vice Chairman

Attested by: Sue McFarlane, Secretary