

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 98-47
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, 1865; 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, There are three federally chartered colleges in the United States: Howard University and Gallaudet College both located in Washington, D.C., and the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe New Mexico, and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, enacted legislation establishing the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, (20 U.S.C. 4001) on October 17, 1965, P.L. 99-498, Sec. 1502, 100 Stat. 1600; and

WHEREAS, The Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development (IAIA) is the only college that exists solely to provide a culturally diverse arts education program for American Indian and Alaska Native students; and

WHEREAS, The faculty and alumni of the institute of American Indian Arts are nationally and internationally known for their artistic accomplishments and represent 90% of all Indian tribes and Alaska communities from more than 40 states; and

WHEREAS, The institute of American Indian Arts is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design; and

WHEREAS, The institute of America Indian Arts; unique location in Santa Fe, New Mexico, places it in the heart of the nation's oldest multi-cultural community and in one of the largest art markets in the world; and

WHEREAS, Today there is a greater need by Tribes and Native people for the Institute of American Indian Arts for assistance in the preservation, collection and dissemination of Indian art and culture—the very foundation of all native peoples; and


WHEREAS, The Federal Government of the United States has a continuing treaty and trust obligation to fund Indian Education programs at all levels, including the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development (IAIA);

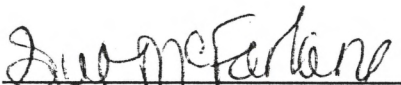
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Squaxin Tribe hereby acknowledges our support of the Institution of American Indian Arts and requests the Federal Government fund IAIA at the current level of \$4.25 million for fiscal year 1999.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Squaxin Tribe requests that language in HB 2107, Subdivision 61, Amendment No. 114, that states, "...The managers agree that fiscal year 1999 will be the last year federal funding will be provided..." be stricken from the record and that IAIA continue to receive operational funding for future generations of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

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 25th day of June, 1998, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 4 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


Dave Whitener, Sr., Chairman

Attested by: 
Sue McFarlane, Secretary


Cal Peters, Vice Chairman