

## **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**



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 members; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Island Tribal Council, through its own constitutional powers and CFR 25 provisions, can request a constitutional election for the purpose of amendment; and

WHEREAS, The Squaxin Island Tribal General Body has voted to support these amendments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribe hereby calls on the Secretary of the Interior, through his BIA Designee, Ray Maldonado, to hold a constitutional election to be held on or before the next general election; and

**BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the election board shall consist of Ray Maldonado or his designee as the officer in charge and Chairman, David Whitener, and Calvin Peters or their designees, with as many clerks and poll watchers as the officer in charge deems necessary; and

BE IF FINALLY RESOLVED that after consultation with the Secretary of the Interior, through his representative from the BIA, the amendments for the election are limited to three amendments:

- 1. The voting age to be changed to the age of eighteen (18) years of age. Article V: Elections, Section 5; and Article VIII: Meetings, Section 3.
- 2. Trial Council membership changed from five members to seven members with staggered terms. Article V: Elections, Section 1 and Section 2; and Article VIII: Meetings, Section 1.

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3. Striking the requirement for the Secretary of Interior's approval for ordinances. Article III: Powers of the Governing Body, Section 1(h).

## **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 19th
day of August, 1998, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of
3 for and against with abstentions.

Dave Whitener, Sr., Chairman

Attested by:

Sue MeFarlane, Secretary

Cal Peters, Vice Chairman