

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 99-<u>2</u>3 of the SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by 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, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, transit services in southeast Mason County are currently inadequate to meet the needs of the Squaxin Island Tribe and other Mason County residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Transportation announced that it is accepting applications for the state's Rural Mobility Grant Program for the FY 1999-01 biennium; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe owns and operates a 1997, 15-passenger, wheelchair-accessible Eldorado National Aerotech Model 220 Bus providing transportation services to Tribal Elders and Tribal Youth through a reservation system; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe and the Mason County Transportation Authority have entered into discussions concerning collaboration in providing transit services to and from the Squaxin Island Reservation to other locations in southeast Mason County and to more effectively utilize the transportation capital assets of the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize submittal of a grant proposal to Washington state's Rural Mobility Grant Program to fund establishment of new transit operating services to and from the Squaxin Island Reservation to other locations in southeast Mason County using the Squaxin Island Tribe's bus.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, the Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization on this particular project, and 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 16 day of March, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against with () abstentions.

Attested by: Sue McFarlane, Secretary

Cal Peters, Vice Chairman