

### SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24-10**

#### 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 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, 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 of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; 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,** the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has assumed responsibility for the approval of business leases (including residential leases by definition) of tribal lands consistent with the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Home Ownership Act of 2012, H.R. 205, 112th Cong. (2012) ("HEARTH Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe's leasing regulations were approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on August 20, 2015 (*See* 80 FR 51835); and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe wishes to amend its regulations to allow the maximum lease term permitted under the HEARTH Act and to make certain clarifying edits;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby adopts the attached amendments to its approved leasing regulations as codified in the Squaxin Island Tribal Code, to be effective on approval by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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**NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council directs its Executive Director and Legal Department to take such steps as are necessary to secure the Bureau of Indian Affair's approval of the attached tribal regulations.

#### CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 8th day of February, 2024, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 5 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

Kris Peters

Kristopher Peters, Chair

Attested by: <u>Marvin Campbell</u>

Marvin Campbell, Treasurer

Jaimie Cruz

Jaimie Cruz, Vice Chair

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