



# SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

## RESOLUTION NO. 24-45

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**, by letter dated June 7, 2024, attached hereto, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (“BIA”) considered certain title evidence with respect to the Port Blakely Property fee into trust application and requested affirmation from the Tribe that any remaining special exceptions will not interfere with the Tribe’s proposed use of the property;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council affirms that any remaining special exceptions will not interfere with the Tribe’s proposed use of the property;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council notes and asserts that forest land tax classifications do not trigger a tax obligation on transfer into trust and any associated obligations end with transfer into tribal jurisdiction.

**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 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

*Kris Peters*

Kris Peters (Jun 27, 2024 13:06 PDT)

**Kris Peters, Chair**

Attested by:   
James Peters (Jun 28, 2024 05:30 PDT)

**James Peters, Secretary**

*Jaimie Cruz*

Jaimie Cruz (Jun 28, 2024 18:36 PDT)

**Jaimie Cruz, Vice Chair**












# Port Blakely Special Exceptions BIA Res

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