

#### **SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE**

### RESOLUTION NO. 24- 69

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#### **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 wishes to expand hunting, fishing, and gathering opportunities for its members; and

WHEREAS, it is the best interests of the Tribe to enter into an agreement with Series One of Twin Creeks Timber, LLC, ("TCT"), by its property manager Green Diamond Management Company, with respect to the Mineral Block area, as identified in Exhibit A of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Tribe to provide TCT with a limited waiver of its inherent sovereign immunity to the extent necessary to make the terms and conditions of the agreement;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribe is authorized to enter into the 2024 Timberlands Land Use Agreement with TCT;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribe provides TCT with this limited waiver of its inherent sovereign immunity as prescribed in the agreement: The Squaxin Island Tribe hereby grants a limited waiver of sovereign immunity to TCT for the purposes of the enforcement of the

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terms of this Agreement. This waiver is limited to TCT only and is not assignable, transferrable, or in any way applicable to any third-party. To the extent that damages are available to TCT under the terms of this Agreement, compensation under this limited sovereign immunity waiver is limited to the coverage limits of insurance policies required for the Tribe in section 9 of this Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes Kris Peters, Tribal Chairman, and/or Erika Thale, Executive Director, to do any and all accounts necessary to effect execution and implementation of an agreement in substantially the same form as the attached subject to those conditions state herein.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

| The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Re              |                                   |
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| the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held of                     | on this <u>11<sup>th</sup> </u>   |
| July , 2024, at which time a quorum was present and was pa                            | ssed by a vote of $\underline{6}$ |
| $\overline{\text{for and } \underline{0}}$ against, with $\underline{0}$ abstentions. | • ===                             |
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| Kris Peters, Chair  | ) <del>_</del>                    |
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| James Peters,   | Secretary                         |
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