

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 24-87

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 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 Department of the Interior Bureau of Trust Funds Administration ("BTFA") is the agency charged with carrying out the Federal government's fiduciary obligations, including the protection of the Tribe's confidentiality about its business affairs; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect this confidentiality, the BTFA has requested that the Squaxin Island Tribe assist in identifying the individuals authorized to conduct official tribal business with the BTFA and the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the following individuals to conduct business on behalf of the Tribe with the BTFA and the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians: Kristopher Peters, Tribal Chairman, Erika Thale, Executive Director, and Joshua Whitener, Tribal Treasurer, with the full and inclusive authority to receive information on tribal accounts, initiate tribal disbursements and provide investment consultation; and Jennifer Ogno, Chief Financial Officer, with the limited authority to receive information on tribal accounts and provide investment consultation.

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NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes the above listed individuals to complete and sign the attached BTFA form, to be returned with a copy of this authorizing resolution to the Fiduciary Trust Officer for the Puget Sound Field Office.

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 10th day of October, 2024, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

Kristopher Yeters

Kris Peters, Chair

Attested by: James Peters (Oct 11, 2024 15:17 PDT)

James Peters, Secretary

<u> 1aimie Cruz</u> Cruz (Oct 11, 2024 12:50 PDT)

Jaimie Cruz, Vice Chair

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