



LUMMI INDIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

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DEPARTMENT _____

EXT: _____

RESOLUTION #98-18 OF THE LUMMI INDIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

TITLE: Cherry Point Development Project Education and Referendum

WHEREAS, the Lummi Indian Business Council is the duly constituted governing body of the Lummi Indian Reservation by the authority of the Constitution and By-laws of the Lummi Tribe of the Lummi Reservation, Washington

WHEREAS, the Lummi Indian Business Council mission statement is "Our purpose shall be to serve, meet, and protect the spiritual, economic, social, cultural, educational, physical, and environmental needs and values of our people"; and

WHEREAS, the Cherry Point Development project represents an Economic Development opportunity that the Lummi Nation, as a self-governance Tribe, has an obligation to thoroughly evaluate; and

WHEREAS, for the last two years (1996 and 1997), the Lummi Nation has been gathering information specifically concerning Cherry Point Development impacts on our fishing, culture, social, physical and spiritual environment with particular concern for the Nation's sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, for the last two years the Lummi Nation has also been evaluating the opportunities for the Lummi Nation to participate in business ventures, dock and land ownership, guaranteed investment returns, cultural enhancement, jobs, and scholarships connected with the Cherry Point Development project; and

WHEREAS, the General Council of the Lummi should be provided full disclosure of the facts of Cherry Point Development through a public information and education process as set forth in the attached Public Process Calendar developed by Economic Development Department staff and approved by the Economic Development Commission in September 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Lummi Indian Business Council has not taken a position with regard to the Cherry Point Development project and has determined that the members of the General Council should express their opinions in a referendum ballot on the project.

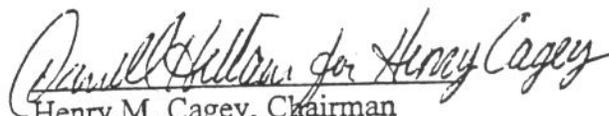
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a General Council referendum vote shall be taken to determine the Nation's final position on the Cherry Point Development project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the recommended public information and education process be implemented to fully inform the members of the General Council prior to the referendum vote; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this process serve as a model for future decision-making which will impact the well-being of our children and our children's children; and

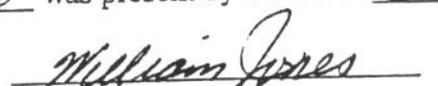
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman (or Vice Chairman in his absence) is hereby authorized and directed to execute this resolution and any documents connected therewith, and the Secretary (or the Recording Secretary in his absence) is authorized and directed to execute the following certification.

LUMMI INDIAN NATION


Henry M. Cagey, Chairman
Lummi Indian Business Council

CERTIFICATION

As Secretary of the Lummi Indian Business Council, I hereby certify that the above Resolution # 98-18 was adopted at a special meeting of the council held on the 22nd day of January 1998, at which time a quorum of 6 was present by a vote of 5 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstention(s).


William Jones, Secretary
Lummi Indian Business Council

