## Nisqually Indian Tribe Tribal Council Resolution No. 77 -2021

## A Resolution Requiring Masks in Tribal Buildings

WHEREAS, the Nisqually Indian Tribe is the successor descendent entity of the Nisqually Nation signatory to the Treaty of Medicine Creek of 1854 (10 Stat. 1132), and unto this day has retained and maintained its Tribal identity, its governing body, and its sovereign powers; AND

WHEREAS, the Nisqually Indian Tribe is a federally recognized American Indian Tribe organized under its governing Constitution and Bylaws approved by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior on September 9, 1946 and amended on October 28, 1994, pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act, 25 U.S.C. 476; AND

WHEREAS, the Nisqually General Council is the duly constituted governing body of the Nisqually Tribe, and the Tribal Council is the duly elected representative body of the General Council by the authority of the Tribe's Constitution and Bylaws, as amended; AND

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council in Tribal Council Resolution 23-2020, on March 11, 2020, declared a State of Emergency because of the COVID-19 epidemic; AND

WHEREAS, the CDC has provided guidance that masks should be warn inside all Tribal buildings, by everyone who enters, regardless of vaccination status; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Nisqually Tribal Council hereby mandates that all persons entering into a tribal building shall wear a mask while within the building. This requirement to wear a mask applies to all occupants, regardless of vaccination status, including personal work spaces. The mask worn must satisfy CDC recommendations as to type and how it is worn. The CEO shall designate a person or persons to authorize exemptions to this requirement for medical and/or religious reasons. AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Tribal Council or until the Tribal Council declares by resolution that the Emergency has ended.

## Certification

I certify that the above Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Nisqually Tribal Council held on the day of August 2021 at the Nisqually Administration Building, at which time a quorum was present and voting UFOR AGAINST ABSTENTIONS.

ATTEST:

William Frank III, Chairman

Nisqually Indian Tribe

Jackie Whittington, Secretary

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