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RE: Gaming Ordinance Amendment of the Skokomish Indian Tribe

Dear Ms. Rickert:

This letter responds to your request on behalf of the Skokomish Indian Tribe for the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) to review and approve the Tribe's amendment to its gaming ordinance. The amendment to the gaming ordinance was adopted by the Skokomish Tribal Council, on June 7, 2006, via Resolution No. 06-63 and increases the number of Tribal Gaming Commissioners from three (3) to five (5).

This letter constitutes approval under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), 25 U.S.C. § 2701 *et seq.*, of the referenced amendment to the Tribe's gaming ordinance.

I must note that the amendment was adopted on June 7, 2006, and submitted for NIGC approval on March 2, 2007. This is in contravention of the NIGC's implementing regulations, which require a tribe to submit amendments for the Chairman's approval within 15 days after adoption. 25 C.F.R. § 522.3(a). Please be mindful of this requirement when submitting future amendments.

Thank you for submitting the amendment for review and approval. If you have any questions, please contact Staff Attorney Jennifer Ward at (202) 418-9814.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip N. Hogen". The signature is written over the word "Sincerely," and extends across the page.

Philip N. Hogen  
Chairman



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March 22, 2007

Norm DesRosiers, Chairman  
National Indian Gaming Commission  
1441 L Street NW, Suite 9100  
Washington, D.C. 20005

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RE: Amendment to the Gaming Code of the Skokomish Indian Tribe

Dear Chairman DesRosiers:

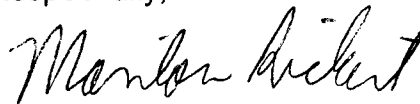
Attached is a copy of Skokomish Tribal Council Resolution No. 06-63 amending the Gaming Code of the Skokomish Indian Tribe.

Resolution No. 06-63 revises section 4.02.090(a) (Number of Commissioners) to read "[t]he Tribal Commission shall be comprised of five Tribal Commissioners, who shall be appointed by the Tribal Council."

This amendment is being submitted to the National Indian Gaming Commission for approval pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 2710.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



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## SKOKOMISH TRIBAL COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION NO. ~~06~~-63

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#### *A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE GAMING CODE OF THE SKOKOMISH INDIAN TRIBE OF WASHINGTON STATE*

**WHEREAS**, the Skokomish Indian Tribe is a federally recognized Indian tribe organized under its Constitution and by-laws first adopted on April 2, 1938 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior May 3, 1938, amended January 15, 1980 as approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 17, 1980; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 and Article V, Sections 1(e), (f), (j), (m), (q) and (t) of the Constitution, the Skokomish Tribal Council is the governing body of the Skokomish Indian Tribe and has the authority to license and regulate the conduct of business activities within the tribe's jurisdiction; establish business enterprises as branches or agencies of the Skokomish tribal government; enact laws and ordinances; consult, negotiate, and contract with agencies and officers of Federal, state, local, and tribal governments; and delegate this authority; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 1996, the Skokomish Tribal Council enacted the Gaming Code of the Skokomish Indian Tribe of Washington State (S.T.C. 4.02), approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission on April 30, 1996, and amended by Resolutions 00-51, dated May 18, 2000; 01-63, dated May 16, 2001; 01-64, dated May 16, 2001; 01-132, dated October 18, 2001; 02-153, dated December 11, 2002; 04-96, dated July 28, 2004; and 05-20, dated February 16, 2005, which amendments have also been approved by the National Indian Gaming Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, section 4.02.090(a) establishes that the Tribal Gaming Commission shall be comprised of three commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has found that it is in the best interest of the Tribe that the number of commissioners comprising the Tribal Gaming Commission be increased to five;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, section 4.02.090(a) of the Skokomish Gaming Code shall be amended to read:

The Tribal Commission shall be comprised of five Tribal Commissioners, who shall be appointed by the Tribal Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Skokomish Tribal Council authorizes Marilou Rickert Skokomish Tribal Attorney, or her designee, to sign any and all letters, reports, amendments or other documents necessary to the enactment and implementation of this amendment.

**\*\*\*CERTIFICATION\*\*\***

I, Denese LaClair, Chairman of the Skokomish Tribal Council, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 06- 63 was adopted at a regular meeting of the Skokomish Tribal Council held on 6-7, 2006, at which a quorum was present by a vote of 6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAINING.

ATTEST:

Denese LaClair Chairman  
Skokomish Tribal Council

Guy Miller, Secretary  
Skokomish Tribal Council