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QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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FOR
RESOLUTION NO. 22 - 356 99

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Date Approved

Date Ratified



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QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 22 - 350 - 99

A RESOLUTION REGARDING CONTINUED COVID-19 MASK POLICY

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee is the recognized governing body of the Quinault Indian Nation under the authority of the Quinault Indian Nation's Constitution adopted by the Quinault General Council on March 22nd, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation has inherent sovereign governmental powers to protect and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the Quinault Nation; and

WHEREAS, under Article I, Section 2 of the Quinault Constitution, the Business Committee is empowered to provide for the general safety and welfare of all persons acting by the right of membership in the Quinault Nation or acting or residing within the jurisdiction of the Quinault Nation ("Quinault Community"); and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Quinault Indian Nation authorizes the Quinault Business Committee to establish Quinault Indian Nation policies; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution # 20-55-98, as duly adopted by the Business Committee on March 13, 2020, the Nation has declared a Public Health Emergency for the Quinault Reservation in response to the global outbreak of the Coronavirus epidemic ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, the Nation has, over the two years of the pandemic, successfully implemented numerous health and safety protocols, including leading the county in the development and implementation of both mobile and stationary Coronavirus testing protocols, accomplishing full adoption of the aforementioned workplace health and safety standards throughout the entirety of the organization, additionally implementing trace and contact investigation protocols, isolation, quarantine, and food delivery protocols, and vaccination protocols; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution # 21-219-99, as duly adopted by the Business Committee on October 29, 2021, the Nation adopted a policy for reporting positive cases and wearing face masks, which requires the wearing of masks by all persons in all public places within the boundaries of the Quinault Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution # 21-84-99, as duly adopted on June 30, 2021, and Resolution # 21-143A-99, as duly adopted on August 20, 2021, the Business Committee approved revised health and safety (including masking) protocols for Quinault Beach Resort & Casino, Queets Trading Post, QMart II, and Amanda Park Trading Post; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington has announced that it will be rescinding its mask mandate effective at 12:01 a.m. on March 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Business Committee finds that it would not be in the best interests of the Quinault Indian Nation to rescind its masking policy at this time.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Quinault Business Committee hereby directs that the QIN Policy for Reporting Positive Cases and Wearing Face Masks shall remain in effect until further notice, and all persons regardless of vaccination status shall continue to wear masks in all public places within the boundaries of the Quinault Indian Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, while the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board has the authority to create and implement its own masking decisions and policies for those enterprises outside the boundaries of the Reservation, the Business Committee urges the QNEB to consider continuing its masking protocols.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Committee will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and will either rescind or modify this Resolution as needed.

CERTIFICATION

AS SECRETARY OF THE QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY ENACTED BY THE QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE ON THE 7 DAY OF MARCH, 2021 BY A VOTE OF 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, AND 0 ABSTAINING.



Guy C. Capoeman, President
Quinault Indian Nation



Latosha Underwood, Secretary
Quinault Business Committee