

## LUMMI INDIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

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## RESOLUTION #2021-075 OF THE LUMMI INDIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

TITLE: Banishment of Jimmy Vaningen, Date of Birth: October 15, 1959

WHEREAS, the Lummi Indian Business Council (LIBC) is the duly constituted governing body of the Lummi Nation by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws, as amended, of the Lummi Tribe of the Lummi Reservation, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the LIBC is responsible for advancing the health, safety, well-being, and education goals of the people of the Lummi Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the mission of the LIBC "To Preserve, Promote and Protect our Sche Lang en" (LIBC Resolution #2012-025); and

**WHEREAS**, the Lummi Nation, before the 1792 contact with non-Indian society, was governed by tradition, ceremony, culture, and strong tribal social values, ethics, and altruism essential to our survival as a tribal society, and our society was strict in the control of behavior and respect for oneself, for family, for extended family, and for tribalism; and

WHEREAS, the power to declare "banishment" predates the Treaty of Point Elliot, as a matter of traditional and cultural law, and inclusion of such concepts and powers in the treaty and Lummi Constitution is only a manifestation of some of the powers delegated and are only a part of those rights reserved to the LIBC under the Lummi Constitution under Article VI, Sections 1, 2, and 3. Such reserved powers were and have been recognized in *United States v. Winans*, 198 U.S. 371, 381 (1905); and

WHEREAS, the Lummi Nation is a party to the Treaty of Point Elliot, 12 Stat. 927, which was ratified by the Senate of the United States of America on March 8, 1859, and proclaimed on April 11, 1859; and

WHEREAS, Article Two of the Treaty of Point Elliot provides "All which tracts shall be set apart, and so far as necessary surveyed and marked out for their exclusive use; nor shall any white man be permitted to reside upon the same without permission of the said tribes or bands;" and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Vaningen, date of birth, October 15, 1959, is a non-tribal individual who was found residing on the Lummi Reservation without the permission of the Lummi Nation in violation of the traditions of the Lummi Nation and in violation of the provisions of the Treaty of Point Elliot. During which time Jimmy Vaningen transported and stored thousands of used tires threatening the safety and welfare of the Lummi Nation as the tires present both a fire hazard and a mosquito breeding ground. The Trespassers Working Group recommends the LIBC

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banish **Jimmy Vaningen**, for residing on the Reservation without the permission of the Lummi Nation and for his conduct that threatens the safety and welfare of the Lummi Community.

**NOW, THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, in accordance with the inherent sovereign right of the Lummi Nation, the person **Jimmy Vaningen**, is hereby **BANISHED AND TRESPASSED** from the Lummi Reservation and its Trust Lands by the Lummi Indian Business Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council Operations shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Lummi Nation Police Department. The Lummi Nation Police Department are to serve copies of this resolution to Jimmy Vaningen and instruct him to leave the boundaries of the Lummi Reservation and its Trust Lands immediately upon receipt of this Resolution. The Lummi Nation Police Chief shall provide written proof of service directly to the Lummi Indian Business Council within five days of service. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Council Operations to Lummi Communications who shall post this resolution in all appropriate platforms; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** if **Jimmy Vaningen** is found within the boundaries of the Lummi Reservation or its Trust lands, he shall be charged with Trespass under RCW 9A.52.070 and his property will be subject to impoundment and forfeiture; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Jimmy Vaningen** may petition the Lummi Indian Business Council to lift this banishment order. He must appear in front of the Lummi Indian Business Council to explain why he should be allowed within the boundaries of the Lummi Reservation or Trust Lands. The LIBC may lift this Banishment Resolution upon two-thirds vote in support of lifting this Resolution; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** the Chairman, or Vice Chair 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 NATION** 

Lawrence Solomon, Chairman Lummi Indian Business Council

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## CERTIFICATION

As Secretary of the Lummi Indian Business Council, I hereby certify that the above Resolution #2021-075 was adopted at a Regular/Special Meeting of the Council held on the  $\underline{15^{th}}$  day of  $\underline{June}$ , 2021 at which time a quorum of  $\underline{8}$  was present by a vote of  $\underline{7}$  for,  $\underline{0}$  against, and  $\underline{0}$  abstention(s).

William Jones Jr., Secretary Lummi Indian Business Council





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