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Melvin R. Sheldon Jr., Chairman Tulalip Tribes of Washington Office of the Tulalip Tribes 6700 Totem Beach Road Tulalip, Washington 98271

May 28, 2008

RE: Approval of Amendments to the Tulalip Tribes Gaming Ordinance 55 pursuant to Tribal Resolutions 08-120 and 08-121.

Dear Chairman Sheldon:

By letter dated April 24, 2008, from Reservation Attorney Lael Echo-Hawk, you have requested the approval of two amendments to the Tulalip Tribes Gaming Ordinance No. 55, Gaming Regulations and Internal Control Standards (Ordinance) which were adopted by the Board of Directors of the Tribe on April 11, 2008 in Resolutions 08-120 and 08-121.

These amendments to the Tribe's previously-approved gaming ordinance do not conflict with the requirements of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) and the National Indian Gaming Commission's regulations. Therefore, the amendments to the Tribe's gaming ordinance are hereby approved.

However, please be advised that I am aware that this amendment changes the regulatory reference of "place, facility or location" to the single term "gaming facility." The Tribe should understand that the single term "gaming facility" is broad enough to include any premises where gaming takes place. For example, a gas station or mini-mart that has even one operating gaming device on the premises, is a gaming facility.

Thank you for your submission. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact Staff Attorney Foni Cowan at (202) 632-7039.

Sincere

Philip N. Hogen Chairman

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Philip N. Hogen, Chairman National Indian Gaming Commission 1441 L Street NW Suite 9100 Washington D.C. 20005

RE: Submission of Amendment to the Tulalip Tribes Gaming Ordinance 55

Dear Chairman Hogen:

The Tulalip Tribes have recently amended Gaming Ordinance 55. With this correspondence, the Tulalip Tribes is formally submitting the amendment to Gaming Ordinance, Section 4(d)(3) the National Indian Gaming Commission for review and approval pursuant to 25 C.F.R Part 522.

Please find enclosed the following:

1. Tulalip Resolution 08-121 adopting revised Ordinance 55, gaming regulations and internal control standards.

As Reservation Attorney for the Tulalip Tribes, I hereby attest that the enclosed document is true and accurate copy of the official Resolution and Amendment enacted by the Tulalip Tribes governing body. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly.

Lael Echo-Hawk Reservation Attorney

Cc: Lena Hammons, TGA Director

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## THE TULALIP TRIBES Amendment to Ordinance 55 and Regulations– Tulalip Gaming Ordinance Resolution No.2008- 12-

# Amending the Tulalip Gaming Ordinance No. 55 Section 4 (d)(3) Internal Control Standards delete the Automatic Adoption of 25 C.F.R. 542 Amendments.

WHEREAS the Board of Directors is the governing body of the Tulalip Tribes under the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe approved by the United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior on January 24, 1936, pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984, 25 U.S.C. §476); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Art. VI. Section 1.F, the Board of Directors possesses the authority to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tulalip Reservation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Art. VI. Section 1.R, the Board of Directors possesses the authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of tribal agencies; and

WHEREAS, Tulalip Gaming Ordinance No. 55 currently allows automatic adoption of any changes made to 25 C.F.R. 542; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tulalip Gaming Ordinance No. 55 Section 4(d)(3)(i) is hereby amended as presented in this Resolution (deletions indicated by Strikethrough).

#### 3. Internal Control Standards

(i) The initial Gaming Regulations for this Ordinance shall be adopted concurrently by Board Resolution with this Ordinance. The Gaming Regulations shall include the Minimum Internal Control Standards as stated in 25 CFR Part 542 which are hereby adopted as the Tribal Internal Control Standards and designated as the TICS Appendix to the Gaming Regulations. Should the NIGC amend 25 CFR Part 542, those amendments shall be deemed automatically adopted by the TGC and the Board of Directors, and incorporated into the TICS Appendix. Where there is a direct conflict between a Compact internal control standard and the TICS Appendix, or where a Compact internal control standard provides a level of control that equals or exceeds the level of control under the TICS Appendix, the Compact internal control standard shall prevail. In all other cases, the TICS Appendix requirements shall prevail. The TICS Appendix shall not be construed to expand the scope of gaming activities authorized under the Compact.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tulalip Gaming Ordinance No. 55 Regulation 11 is hereby amended as presented in this Resolution.

### 11.010 Internal Control Standards

a. The TGO shall institute written internal controls which meet or exceed the Internal Control Standards set forth in the TICS Appendix (25 CFR Part 542, as it now exists or

may hereafter be amended), which is hereby incorporated as part of these Gaming Regulations. Where the TICS Appendix indicates procedures are required to be established by either the Tribal regulatory authority or the gaming operation, the TGO shall establish the required procedures and submit them to the Director for approval.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Tulalip Tribes of Washington at a regular meeting assembled on the 11 of April , 2008, with a quorum present, by a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

THE TULALIP TRIBES OF WASHINGTON

Melvin R. Sheldon, Jr., Chairman

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