

RESOLUTION NO. 699

WHEREAS, *Salish* refers to the Coast Salish people of Washington, British Columbia, and Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the Coast Salish people were the ancestors of many of the current tribes in our state, including the Muckleshoot, Puyallup and Tulalip Tribes; and

WHEREAS, *Salish* also refers to the Salish Sea, which is the geographical name for the inland marine sea comprised of Juan de Fuca Strait, the Strait of Georgia, and Puget Sound and their connection channels, passes and straits; and

WHEREAS, the geographical name Salish Sea was approved in principle by the Geographical Names Board of Canada on 7 August, 2009, the Washington State Board on Geographic Names on 30 October 2009, and the US Board of Geographic Names on 12 November 2009; and

WHEREAS, the word Salish means “the people,” and is a fitting name to honor all the tribes in our state; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Transportation Commission recognizes the name Salish honors the Coast Salish people and the tribes in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the San Juan County Council, the Town of Friday Harbor and the San Juan communities have rallied together in support of this naming; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Transportation Commission on October 20, 2009 named the first of the three Kwa-di Tabil class 64-car ferries the Chetzemoka.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington State Transportation Commission respectfully names the second addition to the Kwa-di Tabil class 64-car ferry, the Salish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington State Transportation Commission requests the Department of Transportation to implement this ferry naming designation accordingly.

ADOPTED this 13th day of July, 2010.

WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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