YAQIT ?A·KNUQŁI'IT FIRST NATION ANNUAL TAX RATES LAW, 2025

WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, the council of a first nation may make laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands and interests or rights in reserve lands, including laws to establish tax rates and apply them to the assessed value of those lands and interests or rights;
- B. The council of the First Nation has made a property assessment law and a property taxation law; and
- C. Subsection 10(1) of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act* requires a first nation that has made a property taxation law to, at least once each year, make a law setting the rate of tax to be applied to the assessed value of each class of lands and interests or rights;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Yaqit ?a knuqli it First Nation duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Yaqit ?a·knuqti 'it First Nation Annual Tax Rates Law, 2025.
 - **2.** In this Law:
- "Act" means the First Nations Fiscal Management Act, S.C. 2005, c. 9, and the regulations made under that Act;
- "Assessment Law" means the Tobacco Plains Indian Band Property Assessment Law 2008;
- "First Nation" means the Yaqit ?a knuqli'it First Nation, being a band named in the schedule to the Act;
- "property taxation law" means a law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 5(1)(a) of the Act;
- "taxable property" has the meaning given to that term in the Taxation Law; and
- "Taxation Law" means the Tobacco Plains Indian Band Property Taxation Law 2008.
- **3.** Taxes levied pursuant to the Taxation Law for the taxation year 2025 shall be determined by imposing the rates set out in the Schedule upon the assessed value of all taxable property in each property class.
- **4.** Notwithstanding section 3, where the amount of the tax levied on Class 1-Residential taxable property in a taxation year is less than one-hundred (\$100.00) the taxable property shall be taxed at one-hundred (\$100.00) for the taxation year and where the amount of tax levied on Class 2- Utilities taxable properties is less than three hundred and fifty (350.00), the taxable property shall be taxed at three hundred and fifty (\$350.00) for the taxation year.
- **5.** Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to them in the Assessment Law and the Taxation Law.
- **6.** Where a provision in this Law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- **7.** This Law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.
 - 8. The Schedule attached to this Law forms part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- **9.** This Law comes into force and effect on the day after it is approved by the First Nations Tax Commission.

THIS LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the day of, 20, at Grasmere, BC, in the Province of British Columbia. A quorum of Council consists of three (3) members of Council.	
Chief Heidi Gravelle	
Councilor Kyle Shottananna	Councilor Avery Gravelle
Councilor Corey Letcher	Councilor Garret Gravelle

SCHEDULE

TAX RATES

PROPERTY CLASS RATE PER \$1000 of Assessed Value Class 1 - Residential 7.84641 Class 2 - Utilities 49.87340 Class 4 - Major Industry 7.84641 Class 5 - Light Industry 7.84641 Class 6 - Business and Other 21.37600 Class 8 - Recreational Property/Non-Profit Organization 7.84641 Class 9 - Farm 18.98831