SKWLĀX TE SECWEPEMCÚĹECW ANNUAL TAX RATES LAW, 2023

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 Skwlāx te Secwepemcúlecw duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Skwlāx te Secwepemcúlecw Annual Tax Rates Law, 2023.
- 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 Little Shuswap Lake Band Property Assessment Law, 2020;
- "First Nation" means the Skwlāx te Secwepemcúlecw, 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 Little Shuswap Lake Band Property Taxation Law, 2020.
- **3.** Taxes levied pursuant to the Taxation Law for the taxation year 2023 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 taxable property in a taxation year is less than one hundred dollars (\$100), the taxable property shall be taxed at one hundred dollars (\$100) 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 i	nto force	and e	effect	on the	day	after it	is	approved	by the	First	Nations
Tax C	Commission	1.											

THIS LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the 8 day of June, 2023, at Chase, in the Province of British Columbia.

A quorum of Council consists of two (2) members of Council.

Chief James Tomma

Councillor Wes Francois

Councillor Dawn Francois

SCHEDULE

TAX RATES

PROPERTY CLASS	RATE PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE				
District: Chum Creek IR#2					
Class 1 - Residential	3.11543				
Class 2 - Utilities	32.34315				
District: CPR					
Class 10 - Regulated Railway	16.56920				
District: North Bay IR#5					
Class 1 - Residential	2.59724				
Class 2 - Utilities	48.53763				
Class 5 - Light Industry	11.14835				
Class 6 - Business and Other	12.25336				
Rates For District: Quaaout IR#1					
Class 1 - Residential	4.10379				
Class 2 - Utilities	45.96486				

Class 6 - Business and Other	12.47739
Class 8 - Recreational /Non-Profit	6.01216
District: Scotch Creek IR#4	
Class 1 - Residential	4.29146
Class 2 - Utilities	53.37392
Class 6 - Business and Other	27.12438