# PETITION FOR AFFIRMATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AS APPROVED FOR THE PASSAGE TO LUMMI ISLAND

~ To the Honorable President, Congress, Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of the Army of the United States of America ~

**Whereas**, the U.S. Department of the Interior approved a road through the Lummi Nation for the purpose of passage by ferry to Lummi Island, *and*
**Whereas**, a ferry has served the public at this location for over a century, there being no feasible alternative, *and*
**Whereas**, Whatcom County variously purchased and traded land, and obtained multiple federal and state authorizations for the ferry, *and*
**Whereas**, the Lummi Nation obstructs the navigable capacity of the passage across a small section of tidelands, *and*
**Whereas**, Whatcom County, as a precaution, entered into leases with the Lummi Nation including terms stipulated by federal consent decree, *and*
**Whereas**, the Lummi Nation unilaterally rejects all such arrangements, threatens a blockade and demands arbitrary, increased payment for passage.
**Now Therefore**, in the interests of public safety and necessity, to preserve social and economic relations, and to promote certainty for planning and investment, we the undersigned citizens, residents, property owners, visitors to and friends of Lummi Island do hereby respectfully request that a permanent right-of-way for the Lummi Island Ferry be reaffirmed, attested, perfected and properly memorialized.

| NAME (Print) | ADDRESS | SIGNATURE |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |

~ Return signed petitions immediately to Lummi Island establishments or mail to: The Islander, 2106 South Nugent Road, Lummi Island, WA 98262~
~ Petitions available at many Lummi Island establishments or online at www.skookum.us ~