



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them

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Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States, was made possible.



RESOLUTION # 6-8-90-B

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a Treaty Tribe recognized by the laws of the United States, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe maintains a policy of resolution by conciliation and negotiation of issues of governance with any other government, federal, state, or local as an act of governmental sovereignty, and
- WHEREAS, issues of jurisdiction and regulation from time to time arise between governments, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe vigorously protects its Treaty Rights and the rights of all Tribes reserved pursuant to Treaties entered into with the United States and upheld by the Supreme Court, and
- WHEREAS, federal legislation to limit Indian Treaty rights has been upheld by the United States Supreme Court based upon an arbitrary concept of Plenary Power, and
- WHEREAS, anti-Indian forces have from time to time made a concerted effort to abrogate those governmental rights reserved to Indians by Constitutional Treaties by litigation and federal legislation, and
- WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Counties Association is an organization representing all 72 county governments in Wisconsin including those effected by the Chippewa off-reservation Treaty rights, and
- WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Counties Association continues to perpetuate its intention to abrogate Treaties under the title of The National Coalition on Federal Indian Policy, and
- WHEREAS, the National Coalition on Federal Indian Policy has approved a resolution which would remove the judicial process as an option to Tribes in resolving their differences with non-Indian governments by the Congressional establishment of a "non-judicial conflict resolution procedure," and

WHEREAS, the National Coalition on Federal Indian Policy is meeting in Washington, D.C., June 15 & 16, 1990, in an attempt to perpetuate and further this resolution without allowing input and comment from Indians until after the business of the meeting has concluded, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe is gravely concerned that general and sensationalized issues generated at meetings by anti-Indian and anti-Treaty partisans whose intransigent views have been publicized and are characterized by threats to seek "federally legislated" solutions to local Indian problems, and

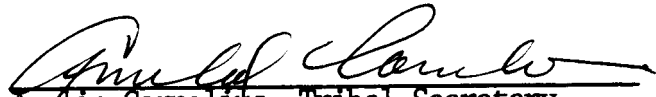
WHEREAS, such attempts to stampede the United States Congress into ill-advised and over general legislation which will not only confuse and separate individual issues of local concern but attempts to homogenize Indians issues. Such actions are based upon a spirit of meanness and devoid of serious responsibility. The Oneida Tribe deplores and will fight these actions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe in protecting its sovereign governmental rights reserved by Treaty with the United States, Treaty of Oneida of 1838 (7 Stat., 566) will confront any and all attempts to abrogate our Treaty by federal legislation, including the Washington, D.C. meeting on June 15 & 16, 1990.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe will join other Indian Tribes and National Indian Organizations in fighting, by all lawful means, any and all attempts to abrogate or limit Indian Treaty Rights.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members, of whom 5 members constitutes a quorum. 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 8th day of June 1990; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for; 0 members against, 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin