

# Oneida Nation

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## **BC Resolution # 08-09-17-E Native American Business Development Institute (NABDI) Feasibility Study**

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; 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 Nation is committed to the development of employment opportunity for community members living on or near the Oneida Nation reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Oneida Nation is committed to economic development as a means of supporting Oneida Tribal sovereignty; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** "the Oneida Nation will enter into an agreement with a research institution to conduct a feasibility study regarding the potential development of the Oneida Free Trade Zone as a means of encouraging economic development and job creation on the Oneida Nation reservation."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** "The Oneida Nation agrees to consider pursuing any opportunity for economic development that is identified by this feasibility study."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** "The Oneida Nation will adhere to its three bid process to solicit an agency to conduct this feasibility study."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** "The Oneida Nation recognizing the need for fiscal transparency regarding the use of federal dollars and agrees to make the results of their feasibility study available as required by the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs."

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** "That the Oneida Business Committee authorizes the Internal Services Division to apply for a grant related to the development of the Oneida Free Trade Zone."

### **CERTIFICATION**

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 constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."