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BC Resolution # 05-13-20-I

Oneida Nation Support of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Southern Bridge Corridor Project

- 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 understands the need for transportation system improvements; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nations supports systems that foster sustainable development and commerce growth that reflect Tsi[?] niyukwalihot[?] (our ways) with innovative approaches that enrich the natural, built and business environments; and
- WHEREAS,** the Southern Bridge Corridor Project will involve constructing a new Fox River bridge in the City of De Pere and a divided four-lane arterial street corridor between the intersection of County Highways GV and X in the Town of Ledgeview and the intersection of County Highways EB and F in the Town of Lawrence; and
- WHEREAS,** a new Southern Bridge and connecting arterial street system will minimize congestion-related safety problems by allowing traffic to be distributed between two Fox River crossing locations instead of one; and
- WHEREAS,** the development of a Southern Bridge Corridor could potentially enhance the Nation's economic development efforts and contribute to Oneida economy as an additional entryway to the reservation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Nation supports the development of the Southern Bridge Corridor project and strongly urges state and federal legislators to ensure that the Southern Bridge Project remains a priority to Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration to enable the environmental impact statement and Interstate Access Justification Report to be approved and a signed Record of Decision (ROD).

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; 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 13th day of May, 2020; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 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, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

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