

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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



UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE
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.

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Resolution # BC- 3-23-05-B

Opposition of Roundabouts at the Intersection of Hwy. 172 & Pine Tree Road

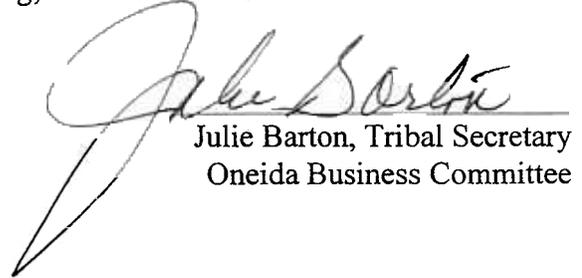
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section I of the Oneida Tribal Constitution, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated duties and responsibilities by the Oneida General Tribal Council and is at all times subject to the review powers of the Oneida General Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS,** the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is in the process of gathering information on highway improvements proposed for Hwy 172 running west of Hwy 41 to STH 54, holding several informational meetings, and
- WHEREAS** the section of Hwy 172 slated for improvements runs through the Oneida Indian Reservation and serves major business and governmental entities of the Oneida Indian Tribe and the surrounding communities, including the Austin Straubel Airport, the Oneida Nation Bingo and Casino Complex, a waste transfer facility, the Village of Hobart administrative offices and the Oneida Community Health Facility, and
- WHEREAS,** Hwy 172 maintains a significantly high volume of traffic because of the location of the airport, the Oneida Nation Bingo Complex and the Oneida Community Health Facility, the speed limit being 45 miles per hour, and
- WHEREAS,** the Wisconsin Department of Transportation has entertained a willingness to consider the use of "Roundabouts" as a part of its proposed improvement plans for that portion of Hwy 172 in the place of traffic signals, particularly at the intersection of Hwy 172 and Pine Tree Road, and
- WHEREAS,** while it has been demonstrated that the use of "Roundabouts" generally cause less severe accidents and minimize injuries in lower speed zones, it has also been demonstrated that the use of "Roundabouts" in areas not suited for them will cause them to eventually fail and the only recourse would be significant and costly highway modifications, and

WHEREAS, the use of “Roundabouts” on a thoroughfare having a 45 mph speed limit with double lanes will raise significant safety issues in several areas; driver unfamiliarity, particularly with teen drivers and the elderly; bottlenecking of traffic, because of the high volume of traffic; and significant semi trailer truck traffic.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee does hereby officially oppose the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s consideration of the installation of “Roundabouts” for that portion of Hwy 172 running West of Hwy 41 to STH 54.

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 23rd day of March, 2005; that the foregoing 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.



Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee