

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



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.

## Resolution 09-29-10-A Temporary Membership Change of the Pardon Screening Committee

- Whereas,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and;
- Whereas,** the General Tribal Council has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section I of the Oneida Tribal Constitution, and;
- Whereas,** the Oneida Business Committee may be 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 Oneida Business Committee established the current Oneida Pardon Ordinance by Resolution BC-7-31-02-A that created a Pardon Screening Committee body consisting of three delegates from the Oneida Police Department, one delegate from Oneida Social Services and one delegate from the Oneida Business Committee, and
- Whereas,** it has become difficult to conduct pardon hearings because the workload of the Pardon Committee has increased over time, making it difficult for those members who are delegates of the Oneida Police Department to attend hearings without disrupting their demanding police work schedules, and
- Whereas,** the backlog of pardon applications that occurred during the past six months needs to be addressed now to allow tribal members who need a pardon to be able to seek assistance from the Tribe for services such as housing or to be eligible to apply for Tribal jobs, and
- Whereas,** this temporary change in membership will allow the Pardon Committee to continue functioning until the adoption of a comprehensive revision of the Pardon Ordinance is presented to the Business Committee within the next six months and which is currently under review by the Legislative Operating Committee.

**Now therefore be it resolved,** that the Oneida Business Committee, using its emergency powers as defined in the Administrative Procedures Act section 1.6-1, adopts the temporary change in membership of the Oneida Pardon Screening Committee effective immediately for the next six months, and

**Therefore be it finally resolved,** that the following amendment to the Oneida Pardon Ordinance is hereby adopted on an emergency basis: ***Section 5.4-4. Membership.** The Pardon Screening Committee shall be composed of Tribal members approved by the Oneida Business Committee as soon as is practicable after the commencement of a new term of the Oneida Business Committee. Member terms on the Pardon Screening Committee shall run concurrently with the term of office of the Oneida Business Committee. The membership shall be as follows: (a) ~~three~~one delegates from the Oneida Police Department; (b) one delegate from Social Services; and (c) ~~one~~three delegates from the Oneida Business Committee.*

### 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; 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 29 day of September 2010; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 for, 0 members against, and 2 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Patricia Hoef, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

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