## 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. Post Office Box 365

Oneida, Wi 54155



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 possble.

## BC Resolution # 11-25-09-G Authorization for Litigation Defending the Continued Existence of the Oneida Reservation

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the Untied States of America; 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 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the General tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Reservation was established pursuant to the 1838 Treaty with the Oneida, 7 Stat. 566; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Congress has not taken action to abolish, diminish or disestablish the Oneida Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Reservation remains intact; and

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- WHEREAS, the United States has a trust responsibility to the Oneida Tribe and a duty to defend the Oneida Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Village of Hobart publicly proclaims the Oneida Reservation has been diminished and disestablished and disputes the continued existence of the Oneida Reservation in every possible context; and
- WHEREAS, the Village of Hobart aggressively asserts jurisdiction over the Tribe and its members on fee lands within the Oneida Reservation, claiming the authority to regulate zoning over such parcels, issue building and well permits, levy storm water assessments, condemn fee lands, and condition the issuance of a liquor license to the Tribe (for use on fee land) on payment of unrelated fees such as the storm water assessment; and

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WHEREAS, litigation with the village of Hobart over this matter is unavoidable and imminent because the Village of Hobart's position creates confusion and turmoil for the Tribe and its members; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, that the Business Committee authorizes the Oneida Law Office to request that the Untied States Department of the Interior initiate litigation or prepare to join the Tribe in the defense of the Oneida Reservation.

## 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 25th day of 2009; that the foregoing 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.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee