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RESOLUTION # 1-26-94-A

WHEREAS, the President's budget for FY '94 reflects a 1,065 full time equivalents reduction for Indian Health Service, thereby reducing services to Indian Nations; and

WHEREAS, this reduction in services is unconscionable and countermands treaties, congressional acts, Supreme Court decisions, and honorable Indian policy; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee governing body for the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin hereby strongly objects to the reduction of the health services to Indian Nations and demands that the President restore and add the health personnel needed to meet the national goal of providing the highest possible health status to Indians and to provide existing health services with all resources necessary to accomplish this goal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee finds it offensive that it is necessary to remind the current administration that health services to Indians are part of the trust responsibility to Indian Nations which includes legal obligation by the United States Government to protect the Indian Nations in a manner that meets the highest standards of loyalty pertaining to interests of Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee reminds the present administration that Indian Nations are political entities, not "minorities" or "special interest" and fully expects to continue to deal with the United States on a government-to-government basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee requests that President Clinton affirm the Indian policies of the past two administrations which recognized the federal fiduciary responsibility to Indian Nations and to adhere to his campaign promise to provide comprehensive quality health care and services for American Indians, and Alaska Natives; and

