

# 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.



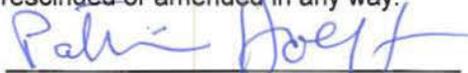
UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE  
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

## BC RESOLUTION 09-12-12-B Adoption of the Tribal Environmental Response Law

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin 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 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 Oneida General Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe does not have a law that addresses the identification, investigation and/or remediation of the discharge of a hazardous substance, and
- WHEREAS,** the proposed Tribal Environmental Response law (Law) would require individuals who are responsible for or aware of a discharge of a hazardous substance to notify the Environmental Health and Safety Division (Division) and, in most cases, to be responsible for the remedial action necessary to restore the environment to the condition it was in before the discharge occurred, and
- WHEREAS,** under the Law, the Division would have the authority to adopt environmental quality standards; conduct investigations of contaminated sites and facilities; and require appropriate remedial actions be taken when contaminated sites and facilities are identified, and
- WHEREAS,** adoption of the Law could result in the Tribe being qualified for grant funding associated with contamination from the discharge of a hazardous substance, and
- WHEREAS,** a financial analysis of the Law has indicated that the initial financial impact of the Law would be zero and future costs could be mitigated to zero by qualification for grants, and
- WHEREAS,** a public hearing was held on April 26, 2012, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the attached Tribal Environmental Response Law is hereby adopted and shall be effective ten (10) business days after adoption, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

### 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for; 0 members against; and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

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