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.

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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 # <u>01-14-98-C</u> Central Brown County Water Commission Resolution

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; 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, Section of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe, itself and as a member of the Central Brown County Water Commission, believes that it is essential that the communities in the area have the ability to join together to resolve the long-term water supply problems facing the area; and

the Oneida Tribe, itself and as a member of the Central Brown County Water Commission, believes it is essential for the Commission to have the ability to finance the cost of necessary water supply facilities and to specifically have other powers needed to obtain, build and operate water supply facilities; and

WHEREAS, current state law does not have a single, comprehensive statute allowing multiple municipalities to jointly develop and finance, on a regional basis and in a cost-effective manner, water supply facilities for multiple municipalities, nor does state law explicitly authorize municipalities to contract with Indian tribal governments to jointly develop and finance such water supply facilities; and

WHEREAS; a statute modeled on s.66.073, Wis. Stats., as modified to allow but not require joint municipal regional water authorities would remedy this problem.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin strongly supports the introduction of legislation which would allow for the creation of municipal joint water authorities with powers similar to those granted to municipal electric companies under s. 66.073 Wis. Stats., and urges the representatives of the communities comprising the Central Brown County Water Commission in the State Legislature to sponsor this legislation and to take all steps necessary to obtain passage of this important legislation in this session of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be provided to the Governor and to all state representatives and senators.

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, 9 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 14th day of January, 1998; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 8 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Inie Barton, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee