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 possible.

RESOLUTION # <u>02-10-99A</u>

Dept. Of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans

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 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin the Oneida Tribe has determined that the overall goal of the Oneida Nation is to protect, maintain and improve the standard of living and the environment in which the Oneida people live, and

- WHEREAS, has developed and maintained the Cultural Heritage Department, whose mission is to protect and maintain the Oneida traditions, language, customs, and history in a manner that shall promote the dignity and respect of the Oneida people and culture.
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe realizes that our language is the basis of our history, culture and tradition, and it in a critical stage of being lost with only a handful of community members speaking fluent Oneida language, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has realized the urgent need to preserve our language and is taking steps though community effort and continues to give full support for all endeavors to ensure that our language is not lost, and

WHEREAS, the Administration for Native American has funds available to federally recognized Indian Tribes to "promote the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin submits an application to the Dept. of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans, to assist in the efforts of a community-wide Oneida Language Immersion project.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is comprised of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>February</u> 1999; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of <u>5</u> members for; <u>0</u> members against, and <u>1</u> members not voting; and that said-resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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Juffe Barton, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee