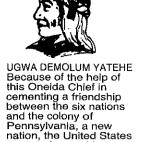
## Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.



BC Resolution <u>02-24-10-F</u>
Amendments to the Paternity Law



was made possble.

- 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 Wisconsin Supreme Court adopted a case transfer process which allows cases to transfer from the circuit court to the Tribe through a negative notice process, which means that a case can be transferred if neither party objects and the Tribe has jurisdiction over the parties; and
- WHEREAS, the jurisdiction section of the Tribe's Paternity law needs to clarify when the Tribe has jurisdiction over non-Indian parents of Oneida children; and
- WHEREAS, under the Tribe's Paternity law, consent is necessary in some instances before personal jurisdiction can be established over an individual, but it is unclear what "consent" means; and
- WHEREAS, in order to clarify the transfer process and the jurisdiction section of the Paternity law, the Paternity law was amended on an emergency basis on October 28, 2009, in order to meet the deadline of November 1, 2009, when the circuit court was scheduled to begin transferring cases to the Oneida Appeals Commission; and
- WHEREAS, these amendments need to be permanently adopted in order to continue the orderly transfer of cases from courts of competent jurisdiction to the Oneida Appeals Commission; and
- **WHEREAS**, a public hearing on these amendments was held on January 21, 2010, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached amendments to the Paternity law are hereby adopted.

## **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. 4 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 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

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