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Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.







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Because of the help of this Oneida' Chief in comenting a friend ship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United Status was made pas-

RESOLUTION NO. 5-16-77-8

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee is extremely disappointed in the sponsorship and character of proposed legislation to defeat the legal, moral and just claims of the Passamaquoddy and Penobscot Tribes of the State of Maine, and
- WHEREAS, House Relsoution 4169 and Senate Bill 842 proposes the sanction of land theft of the Indian people in the State of Maine, to circumvent Federal Law of 1790 which prohibits independence and unilateral negotiations with Indian Tribes without ratification or sanction by the Government of the United States, and
- WHEREAS, the laws of the land have been utilized to subjugate Indian people for centuries, and
- WHEREAS, the benefits contained in the laws are now used to correct the injustices of various states and the United States, it is proposed that the U.S. change the law again to continue suppression, subjugation and theft of property and rights,
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin formally condemn House Resolution 4169 and Senate Bill 842,
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin demands that equal application of the law become a major principle to be applied equally to all people of the United States and begin to continue to recognize the treaty obligations made by the U.S. Government and Indian people,
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Congress and Senate reject the proposal contained in the above mentioned legislation and reaffirm the morality described in the constitution and treaties and apply equally those precepts and laws to Indian issues

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom \(\square\), being present, constituted a quorum at a meeting thereof duly called, convened, and held on this 16 day of may, 1977; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 7 members; against, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

> Secretary, Amelia Cornelius Oneida Business Committee

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