

## **Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin**

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



Oneida, WI 54155

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RESOLUTION # 5-18-94- E

- 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 authority under Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, it shall be the mission of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin to protect and improve the resources, the standards of living, and the environment in which the Oneida People live while maintaining, enforcing, and exercising the sovereign rights of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a Self-Governance Compact Tribe with the United States and a tribal contractor under P.L. 93-638 as amended; and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services have proposed a joint draft regulation to implement the Indian Self-Determination Act Amendments of 1988 and 1990 (published in the Federal Register at 59 Fed. Reg. 3166-3280, Jan. 20, 1994); and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has reviewed this document and found numerous deficiencies and a

dismaying number of sections that are in clear and direct conflict with the plain language of the statute as well as its legislative history; and

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe, having consulted with fellow tribal contractors, has found clear and unanimous opposition among tribal contractors to these proposed regulations; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin believes that if these proposed regulations are imposed upon tribal contractors a new period of increased legislative reform activity and expensive and polarizing litigation is certain to occur.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin calls upon the Department of Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services to withdraw the proposed joint draft regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin calls upon the Department of Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services to commence a negotiated rulemaking pursuant to the authority of the Negotiated Rulemaking Act and the implementing guidelines of the Administrative Conference of the United States to devise a new joint draft regulation that accounts for the concerns of tribal contractor's and which will ultimately lead to true Indian self-determination.

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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. <u>7</u> members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the <u>1846</u> day of <u>May</u>, 1994; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of <u>6</u> members for, <u>0</u> members against, <u>0</u> members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary Opeida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin