

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

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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 # 5-19-89-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 the authority of Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee deems its responsibility to and for the Oneida Tribal membership to set aside land for the collective use of its membership, and

WHEREAS, the General Tribal Council requires the establishment of a Land Committee to be responsible for the land within the Reservation boundaries, and

WHEREAS, the Land Committee has maintained responsibility and the authority to make recommendation to the Oneida Business Committee, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the attached Oneida Burial Ordinance is hereby adopted and that said Ordinance shall supersede all previous Oneida Burial Ordinances and amendments thereto.

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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 constitutes a quorum. 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 19th day of May 1989; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for; 0 members against, 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

ONEIDA BURIAL ORDINANCE

This Ordinance shall govern the burial of Oneida Indians on the Oneida Indian Reservation.

POLICY: It is the policy of the Oneida Tribe that all Oneida members regardless of place of residence or place of death may be buried in the Oneida Tribal Cemetery or Traditional Cemetery.

- I. The Oneida Land Committee shall designate a plot of land of not less than 40 acres: 20 acres to be used for the Oneida Tribal Cemetery; 20 acres to be used for the Traditional Cemetery. This plot shall be located in an area that is compatible with tribal, state and local zoning requirements.
- II. Non-Oneida spouses of Oneida Tribal members or their children may be buried at the same cemetery.
 - A Where an Oneida Indian is buried in the Oneida Tribal Cemetery or Traditional Cemetery, such Indian's non-Oneida spouse or their children may be buried in the same cemetery.
- III. There shall be created an Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board whose members shall be appointed by the Oneida Business Committee as other boards are pointed and for such terms and regulations as the Business Committee deem appropriate.
 - A There shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board. Three (3) members shall represent the Traditional People, and three (3) members shall be chosen at large to represent the Oneida Community.
 - B. Duties and Responsibilities

- The Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted to be buried pursuant to this ordinance.
- The Board or its delegate shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe.
- 3. The Board or its delegate shall control the cemetery and beautify the same, and may establish regulations respecting it.

C. Plotting

1. The Board shall cause to be surveyed and plotted by a land surveyor such portions of the lands, as may from time to time be required for burial, into lots, drives and walks. Said recorded map shall be kept and maintained in the Oneida Land Office. No such plot or map shall be recorded unless laid out and plotted to the satisfaction of the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board.

D. Conveyance

1. After the map is so recorded, the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board may sell and convey plotted lots, expressly restricting the use to burials and upon such other terms, conditions and restrictions as the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board directs.

E. Use of Proceeds

1. The proceeds of sales shall be used for the care

and improvement of the cemetery and avenues leading thereto, and operating expenses.

- IV. The Board is hereby authorized to provide for improving, safeguarding and beautifying the cemetery as the final resting places for Oneida Indians by adopting such rules and regulations as necessary, which shall be approved by the Oneida Business Committee.
 - V. This ordinance may be amended or revoked by the Oneida Business Committee or General Tribal Council upon the recommendation of the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board.

