

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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

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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 NO. 5-24-95A

WHEREAS, The Oneida Tribal Council has delegated to the Oneida Business Committee authority to exercise the enumerated powers of the Oneida constitution, Article IV as amended, and

WHEREAS, The jurisdiction of the Oneida Tribe in exercising the stated enumerated powers is in great part defined by the amount of trust land held by the Department of Interior for the Oneida Tribe and its members, and

WHEREAS, The Oneida Tribe's trust holdings went from approximately 64,000 acres to less than a thousand after the reservation was allotted to individual tribal members, and

WHEREAS, The limited trust holdings and scattered "checkerboard" ownership of the reservation has limited economic and community development activities of the Tribe, and created conflict from various taxing authorities who also exercise their power over portions of the reservation that are not in trust, and

WHEREAS, The expressed goal of the Oneida Tribe is to legally return all land within the Reservation to its original trust status, thus strengthening its ability to better coordinate, planning, economic development, community development, enterprises and services on behalf of tribal membership, and

WHEREAS, Individual tribal members have indicated their support for this goal by requesting the Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, to accept their land trust, and

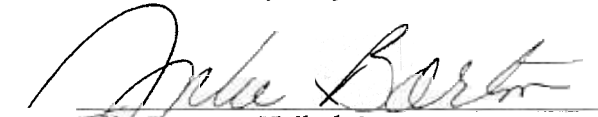
WHEREAS, The Oneida Business Committee supports these individual actions as mutually beneficial to the individual and the tribe,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oneida Business Committee hereby requests the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs carry out the process required to place individual parcels of fee land into trust.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oneida Department of Land Management will assist the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the trust acquisition of individual lands so that it can be accomplished as expeditiously as possible, thereby accomplishing a strategic goal of the Oneida Tribe and its members.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida General Tribal Council in session with a quorum of 7 members present at a duly called, notified, and held on the 24th day of May, 1995; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a unanimous vote of those present and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE