

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.

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Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in comenting a friendship between the six nations and the Colony

of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made pos-

sible.

RESOLUTION # 7-15-83-A

- WHEREAS, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has proposed a 21 percent cut in funding for the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) for FY '84 down from an already insufficient funding level, and
- WHEREAS, OMB has announced plans to transfer administration of ANA grants awarded to Federally recognized tribes to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has been a successful recepient of competitive grants from ANA and have used these grants to promote economic and social self-sufficiency, and
- WHEREAS, such grants in the past two years have resulted in an Activity Center now employing fifty-four (54) tribal members, a gasoline and Convenience Store employing eleven (11) tribal members, a retail outlet employing two (2) members, the first building constructed and leased to an outside private business in fourteen years in the Tribe's Industrial Park, and
- WHEREAS, Tribal staff funded by ANA are now involved in serious negotiations for the development of a 250 room hotel and convention center expected to create a minimum of 175 jobs, and
- WHEREAS, this negotiation and development will carry into FY '84 and ANA funding is the only major source of support available to continue this process and other initiatives, and
- WHEREAS, the BIA does not operate currently any program comparable to ANA thus requiring costly training of BIA personnel.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin be put on record urging the United States Congress to the level of \$61.2 million to bring ANA up to the real value of appropriations received in FY '76, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe supports putting language into the FY '84 Labor, HHS, Education Appropriation Report directing HHS <u>not</u> to transfer ANA grants administration to the BIA in FY '84 and directing HHS to continue to fund all Native American entities which are currently eligible for funding under ANA's authorizing legislation.

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I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of nine (9) members, of whom $\underline{7}$ members constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the <u>15</u> day of <u>July</u>, 1983; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of <u>7</u> member/s for, <u>0</u> member/s against, and <u>0</u> member/s not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

L. Gordon McLester, Tribal/Secretary Oneida Business Committee