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.





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 possble.

BC RESOLUTION 09-12-12-D

Principles of Sovereignty and Discussion Draft of Indian Country Amendments to any Internet Gaming Legislation

- 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 governmental 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, Congress has the ability to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes pursuant to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution, and
- WHEREAS, Congress may use this authority to enact legislation regulating internet gaming, and
- WHEREAS, the mission of the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) is to protect and preserve the general welfare of tribes striving for self-sufficiency through gaming enterprises in Indian Country, and
- WHEREAS, in furtherance of NIGA's mission, it has undertaken efforts to advocate on behalf of its members regarding potential internet gaming legislation, and
- WHEREAS, NIGA has adopted six (6) principles of sovereignty and discussion draft of Indian Country amendments to any internet gaming legislation, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin hereby requests NIGA to adopt a seventh principle to NIGA's principles of sovereignty and discussion draft of Indian Country amendments to any internet gaming legislation to ensure any internet gaming legislation explicitly preempts any applicable state law, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the seventh principle shall read as follows: "The legislation must explicitly preempt any applicable state law."

CERTIFICATION

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; 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 12th day of September, 2012; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."