

# ***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. 10-19-94-C**

**Resolution to seek funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the purpose of defending its sovereign right to exercise its jurisdiction over environmental matters within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation**

- 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 litigation of the Duck Creek fishing controversy is ongoing, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe wishes to assert its jurisdiction over environmental matters within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, the assertion of such jurisdiction is likely to be challenged by the State of Wisconsin, local governments, developers, businesses, and private citizens,
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe firmly believes that environmental issues are properly within its jurisdiction as they directly affect the health, safety, and welfare of the Oneida Nation and its members, in accordance with Supreme Court Opinions in *U.S. v. Montana* and *Brendale v. Confederated Tribes and Band of the Yakima Nation*, federal environmental laws and EPA policy, and

WHEREAS, a great amount of historical, legal, and factual research and expertise will be required to successfully defend the Oneida Nation's jurisdiction over environmental matters,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin hereby declares its intention to seek litigation support funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of defending its sovereign right to exercise its jurisdiction over environmental matters within the boundaries or otherwise affecting the health, safety and welfare of the people of the Oneida Reservation.

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

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 five (5) members constitute a quorum. 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the 19TH day of OCTOBER, 1994; 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.

  
**JULIE BARTON, TRIBAL SECRETARY**  
**ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN**