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## BC Resolution # 10-25-17-A Zero Suicide Initiative

- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; 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 Nation has determined that the overall goal of the Oneida Nation is to protect, maintain, and improve the standard of living and the environment in which the Oneida people live; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation recognizes the need to address the issue of suicide, suicide attempts and suicide ideation among tribal youth and community members; and
- WHEREAS, the prevalence and impact of suicide and suicide related behaviors is overwhelmingly high and undeniably problematic; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation understands there is a need to develop and implement a Zero Suicide Initiative to create a healthy and empowered community through providing culturallybased, trauma-informed prevention for youth suicide and substance abuse; and
- **WHEREAS,** utilizing the Oneida Nation Core Values as guiding principles, the Zero Suicide team will work with tribal leaders and departments to develop and implement a coordinated approach to providing social services to our community member's; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Behavioral Health Department was created "to empower individuals and families within the Oneida community to restore harmony in mind, body, and spirit through culturally inspired interventions for the next seven generations; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation believes that our community will be strengthened by providing critically needed services and programming which will have a positive impact on our families, elders, and youth; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida Nation authorizes and supports the submission of a Zero Suicide Initiative Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Indian Health Services in the amount of \$400,000.

## 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; 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017; that the

forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary **Oneida Business Committee** 

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