

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 cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States, was made possible.

RESOLUTION #_11-10-93-C ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF LEONARD PELTIER

- 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 Oneida Business Committee supports justice and human rights for all people of all nations; and
- WHEREAS, Leonard Peltier, a Chippewa-Lakota, was convicted of murder for the deaths of two Federal Bureau of Investigation agents on June 26, 1975, at the Jumping Bull Ranch, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and
- WHEREAS, Leonard Peltier has served more than seventeen years in federal prison despite the government's admitting that there is no direct evidence against him, and that he was convicted based on fabricated and coerced evidence, and evidence of his innocence was withheld in violation of his Constitutional and human rights;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oneida Business Committee of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin supports justice for Leonard Peltier in an appropriate form which may include: executive clemency, a sentence commutation, a new trial, parole, or a full pardon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that Chairwoman Deborah J. Doxtator and/or her designee be authorized to sign documents in support of justice for Leonard Peltier.

<u>C E R T I F I C A T I O N</u>

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 10TH day of NOVEMBER, 1993; that the foregoing 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meeting by a vote of 7 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary

Oneida Business Committee