

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

## BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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 possible.

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### BC Resolution # 12-10-08-H

#### *Extension of the Emergency Adoption of the Child Support Law*

- 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 of America, 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 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Tribe has a responsibility to provide a quality child support program and ensure Oneida children and other Indian children receive financial support from their parents, and
- WHEREAS,** the child support program has received numerous concerns from Oneida tribal members on the lack of services currently being provided to them by the state child support agency, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee gave approval for the establishment of the child support office for the Oneida Tribe at their regularly called meeting on June 20, 2007, and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Tribe's application for a comprehensive child support services grant was approved by the United States Department of Health & Human Services/Office of Child Support Enforcement on April 4, 2008, and
- WHEREAS,** if the Oneida Tribe did not have an approved child support and paternity code by July 1, 2008, the Tribe would have been considered out of compliance and would have been required to layoff staff and repay the granting agency for any expenses that occurred under the grant, and
- WHEREAS,** according to the Social Services Department, this will also be detrimental to current and future grants with the United States Department of Health & Human Services as it will appear that we are not honoring our commitment, and

**WHEREAS,** BC Resolution 6-30-08-C adopted a Child Support law on an emergency basis and needs to be extended for an additional six (6) months, and

**WHEREAS,** a permanent, non-emergency Child Support law is currently in development, and

**WHEREAS,** the APA authorizes the Oneida Business Committee to enact legislation on an emergency basis, to be in effect for a period of six (6) months, renewable for an additional six (6) months, and

**WHEREAS,** emergency adoption of the law is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare of the reservation population, and that observance of the regular APA adoption requirements for passage of laws would be contrary to public interest.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the emergency adoption of the Child Support law is hereby extended upon the expiration of BC Resolution 6-30-08-C for an additional six (6) months or until such time a permanent law can be adopted, whichever occurs first.

#### 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. 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for; 0 members against; and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

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