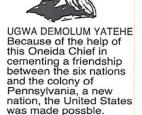
## Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.





## BC Resolution BC-12-23-09-A

Oneida Housing Authority Admissions and Occupancy Policy

- 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- WHEREAS, under Resolution BC-6-30-08-A, the Oneida Housing Ordinance was repealed and the Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) was directed to be placed as a program of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution BC-6-30-08-B, repealed the designation of the OHA as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE) and designated the Tribe as the TDHE and the recipient of the NAHASDA block grant; and
- WHEREAS, based on these actions, the Oneida Business Committee is ultimately responsible for the administration of the housing programs; and
- WHEREAS, the policies that were in effect before OHA became a program of the Tribe were carried over with the newly formed OHA program; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Housing Authority Admissions and Occupancy Policy (Policy) contains social eligibility criteria that is used to determine whether an applicant or a current occupant is qualified to participate in an OHA housing program; and
- WHEREAS, it is important that admission standards be interpreted in such a way that personal responsibility is balanced with the need to provide housing to Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, debt owed to entities outside of the OHA should not affect eligibility for OHA housing programs because Tribal members need a place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, the Policy should be interpreted to ease the social eligibility criteria to allow more Tribal members to qualify for the benefits offered through the OHA programs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that effective immediately, failure to pay previous debt shall not be used to disqualify an applicant or occupant from participating in an Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) housing program where that debt is not owed to OHA.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that effective immediately, previous debt related evictions from a non Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) entity shall not be used to disqualify an applicant from participating in an OHA housing program.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the General Manager shall work with the Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) to ensure that OHA shall not disqualify an applicant or occupant from participating in an OHA housing program for failure to pay previous debt where that debt is not owed to OHA.

## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2009; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for; 0 members against; and 1 member not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee

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