



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

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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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.

GTC Resolution 01-04-10-A

Amendments to the Oneida Election 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, at the 2006 General Tribal Council (GTC) Annual Meeting, the GTC directed the Legislative Operating Committee and the Election Board to work together to create amendments to the Oneida Election Law (Law); and

WHEREAS, proposed amendments to the Law were presented to the GTC on October 11, 2008 and the GTC approved the amendments that pertained to conducting primary elections and deferred the rest of the amendments to the July 11, 2009 GTC meeting; and

WHEREAS, at the July 11, 2009 GTC meeting the Election Law amendments were deferred to the August 1, 2009 GTC meeting; at the August 1, 2009 GTC meeting, the meeting was recessed until October 31, 2009 before the Election Law amendments were addressed; and at the October 31, 2009 GTC meeting the Election Law amendments were tabled; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Operating Committee met with the Election Board to develop the attached proposed amendments to ensure that elections are conducted in a fair and orderly manner; and

WHEREAS, significant amendments include changes in the composition of an *elected* Election Board, Oneida Business Committee discretion in filling Board positions between elections, allowing the Election Board to declare the next highest vote recipient the winner when the highest vote recipient declines the position, provisions for challenging an election, and limiting candidates for Oneida Business Committee and Oneida Appeals Commission positions to run for *one* specific office.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached amendments to the Oneida Election Law are hereby adopted and shall become effective January 4, 2010.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, in order to decrease the number of permanent positions on the Election Board from twelve (12) to nine (9), as specified in the amendments, at each of the first three (3) elections that are held after the adoption of this resolution, there shall be three (3) positions for the Election Board on the ballot.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida General Tribal Council in session with a quorum of 1,117 members present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the 4th day of January, 2010; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a majority vote of those present and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patricia Hoeft", written over a horizontal line.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee