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BC Resolution # 07-26-17-K Cemetery Law Amendments

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 Business Committee originally adopted the Cemetery Law through resolution BC-09-02-88-A; and

WHEREAS, the Amendments to the Law:

- Acknowledge the Oneida Sacred Burial Grounds, also known as Tsi⁹ Tyeya⁹ Tat'alih, in accordance with the May 11, 2015 resolution of the Oneida Land Commission;
- Delegate Land Management with administrative and maintenance oversight;
- Clarify eligibility for interment and the process for disinterment;
- Delegate the Community Public Health Officer authority over situations involving decedents who have died of communicable diseases, consistent with existing laws:
- Grant rulemaking authority to Land Management, the Environmental Resource Board, and the Community Public Health Officer; and
- Update the complaint process for this Law.

WHEREAS,

a public meeting on the proposed Amendments was held on March 30, 2017 in accordance with the Legislative Procedures Act; and the written comment period closed on April 6, 2017. A responsive Public Meeting Comment Review memo was provided for the June 7, 2017 LOC meeting and the LOC accepted the memo and directed minor changes to the draft, which were made; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cemetery Law Amendments are hereby adopted. This Law will become effective Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

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; 9 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 26th day of July, 2017; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for, 0 members against, and 2 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.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."