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BC Resolution # 10-24-18-A

Amending Resolution BC-07-26-17-J to Delay the Implementation of the Children's Code

- 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 adopted the Children's Code through resolution BC-07-26-17-J; and
- WHEREAS, resolution BC-07-26-17-J provided that the Children's Code shall become effective four hundred and fifty-five (455) calendar days from the approval date of the Fiscal Year 2018 budget; and
- WHEREAS, on October 8, 2017, the General Tribal Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2018 budget through resolution GTC-10-08-17-A; and
- WHEREAS, the Children's Code was then set to become effective on January 6, 2019; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Nation's Indian Child Welfare Department has worked diligently to employ appropriate staffing, providing training, develop procedures, standards and forms; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Indian Child Welfare Department has worked diligently to negotiate 161 and other agreements with Brown and Outagamie Counties which have not been finalized; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Indian Child Welfare Department has worked diligently to identify foster families, residential care facilities, and shelter care contracts which requires additional preparation prior to implementation; and
- **WHEREAS,** implementation of the Children's Code to provide appropriate oversight and protection for the Nation's children requires careful, collaborative, consistent procedures; and
- WHEREAS, resolution BC-07-26-17-J authorized the Oneida Business Committee to make such modifications and additions to the effective date and implementation plan as it deems necessary to implement the Children's Code in accordance with the proposed timelines, and shall ensure that the Children's Code does not become effective until all proper infrastructure is in place; and

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WHEREAS, the Indian Child Welfare Department, Oneida Law Office, and Legislative Reference Office have provided a recommendation to delay implementation of the Children's Code in order to finalize implementation preparation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Oneida Business Committee resolution BC-07-26-17-J, Resolve #1, is hereby amended to change the date by which the Children's Code shall become effective from four hundred and fifty-five (455) calendar days from the approval date of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget to October 1, 2019.

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; 5 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 24th day of October, 2018; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Lisa Summers, Secretary Oneida Business Committee

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