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## BC Resolution # 12-08-21-B Updating Public Gathering Guidelines During Public Health State of Emergency - COVID-19

**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adopted resolution # BC-08-03-21-A, Setting Public Gathering Guidelines During Public Health State of Emergency, which superseded the Staying Safer at Home and Safer Re-Opening of Government Offices directives adopted by resolution during the course of the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

whereas, the Oneida Business Committee has looked to the United States national health experts in the Centers for Disease Control to provide guidance during the pandemic, and more recently, to the Department of Health Services regarding Wisconsin specific information on the prevalence of the virus and positive COVID-19 tests; and

WHEREAS, the information available to the Oneida Business Committee regarding testing rates, case levels, transmission rates and vaccine levels of members, employees and the surrounding communities in order to provide guidance on safely managing risks associated with the COVID-19 virus and pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oneida Business Committee has determined that the Public Gathering Guidelines should be updated to reflect this increased knowledge;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that resolution # BC-08-03-21-A, *Setting Public Gathering Guidelines During Public Health State of Emergency* is superseded by this resolution.

Determination for Holding Meetings - Indoor

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Oneida Business Committee directs that when the following levels are met, indoor meetings<sup>1</sup> of the Oneida Nation are feasible, provided that all organizers and participants should consider additional health safety measures when attending such as wearing a face mask, washing hands frequently, and social distancing.

1. When COVID-19 Case Activity rates are at or below low in Brown and Outagamie Counties, or the county in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Indoor meetings" include any meeting between employees of different workspaces or between employees and clients not within the normal course of business operations. E.g., normal course of business operations such as retail operations, gaming operations, Health Center operations, Fitness Center operations.

- When COVID-19 Percent Positive rates are at or below low in Brown and Outagamie Counties, or the county in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.
- 3. When COVID-19 Community Transmission Rates by ZIP Code Tabulation Area are at or below low in ZIP Codes 54115, 54130, 54155, 54162, 54165, 54303, 54304, and 54313, or the ZIP Code in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.

## Determination for Holding Meetings - Outdoor

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Oneida Business Committee directs that when the following levels are met, outdoor gatherings of the Oneida Nation are feasible, provided that all organizers and participants should consider additional health safety measures when attending such as wearing a face mask, washing hands frequently, and social distancing.

- 1. When COVID-19 Case Activity rates are at or below medium in Brown and Outagamie Counties, or the county in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.
- 2. When COVID-19 Percent Positive rates are at or below medium in Brown and Outagamie Counties, or the county in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.
- 3. When COVID-19 Community Transmission Rates by ZIP Code Tabulation Area are at or below moderate in ZIP Codes 54115, 54130, 54155, 54162, 54165, 54303, 54304, and 54313, or the ZIP Code in which the activity is being held, as identified on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the most recent period.

Individual, Business, and Indoor/Outdoor Activities Guidance

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** as this pandemic proceeds, individuals, business, and event coordinators should follow the guidance set by the Centers for Disease Control as revised to meet changing pandemic impacts.

Conclusion of Resolution Directives

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** this resolution shall remain in place so long as the declaration of a public health emergency remains in place.

## **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 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 1 members not voting\*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Oneida Business Committee

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