## Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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



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.

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## Resolution # <u>5-31-02-A</u> Resolution Specifying Tribally Elected Positions as Employment for Purpose of Unemployment Insurance

- 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, 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, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, under Wisconsin unemployment compensation law in place prior to January 4, 2002 Oneida Elected officials were not included in the exclusion from coverage applicable to "government units" under subsection 108.02(15) (f) Wis. Stats.; and
- WHEREAS, a revision to the aforesaid section enacted as Chapter 35, Wisconsin Acts 2001 and effective January 2002 added "Indian tribes" to the governmental units subject to the aforesaid exclusion; and
- WHEREAS, the aforesaid statutory exclusion provides for affected governmental units or Indian tribes to "elect otherwise" with the Department of Workforce Development's approval; and
- WHEREAS, the employer tax the Tribe pays to the State is based upon a payroll which includes the Tribe's elected positions; and
- WHEREAS, Oneidas' holding positions which are subject to election by public vote of the Tribe have been eligible for unemployment insurance in past years; and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe wishes to assure the continued unemployment coverage and protection of its elected officials.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe, acting pursuant to section 108.02(15)(f) Wis. Stats., hereby elects to have tribal governmental service described in clauses I and 2 of the aforesaid statutory subsection to be treated as "employment" subject to coverage under Wisconsin unemployment compensation/insurance law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the unemployment insurance coverage shall include January 4, 2002 forward; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be promptly transmitted to Bruce Hagen, Administrator of Unemployment Insurance, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development.

## 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 31st day of May, 2002; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 8 members for; 0 members against; and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee