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BC Resolution # 06-22-22-A

Oneida Nation American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Bureau of Indian Affairs Housing Improvement Spending Plan

- 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,** on March 11, 2021, the President signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) which provided over \$31 billion in relief to Indian Country; and
- WHEREAS,** the ARPA identified \$900 million for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to be available until expended; and
- WHEREAS,** the Nation received \$486,447 from the ARPA funds through the Nation's Self-Governance Compact with the U.S. Department of Interior; and
- WHEREAS,** these funds are made available for Tribes to operate a Housing Improvement Program or to use for Tribal housing purposes related to recovery; and
- WHEREAS,** these funds are one-time (non-recurring) funds and may not be reprogrammed for uses other than a Housing Improvement Program or tribal housing purposes related to recovery; and
- WHEREAS,** Tribes may use the funding for housing improvements as defined by the Tribe (and self certified by the Tribe) that are necessary for their community to meet housing needs; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to BC Resolution 06-09-21-B, the Business Committee tasked the Oneida Nation Office of Self-Governance to bring forward a resolution identifying how these funds will be spent; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation Office of Self-Governance has worked with Governmental Services, Elder Services, Comprehensive Housing, the Law Office, and the General Manager's office to develop a spending plan for the funds; and
- WHEREAS,** in determining eligible uses for these funds, the Office of Self Governance reviewed the requirements set forth by the ARPA, guidance from the BIA, and authorities identified in Title IV of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act; and

WHEREAS, the Major Home Repair Program operated by Oneida Aging and Disability Services is an eligible use of the funds; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Major Home Repair Program is to provide major home repair services to eliminate health and/or safety risks to Oneida elder homeowners that live within Brown, Outagamie, & Milwaukee Counties; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee approves the following ARPA BIA Housing Improvement spending plan:

Major Home Repair Program (\$486,447)

- The one-time ARPA BIA Housing Improvement funds are allocated to the Major Home Repair Program to provide major home repair services to eliminate health and/or safety risks to Oneida elder homeowners that live with Brown, Outagamie & Milwaukee Counties. Oneida Governmental Services Division and Oneida Aging and Disability Services have established a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the operation of the program and shall be responsible for its administration.

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; 6 members participated in an electronic vote (e-poll) which closed on the 22th day of June, 2022; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 6 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. The results of the e-poll will be entered into the record at the next Oneida Business Committee scheduled on July 13, 2022.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

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