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BC Resolution # 08-02-23-H

Support for Judicare Legal Aid Participation in the Tribal Civil Legal Assistance Program Grant

- 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 General Tribal Council has created the General Tribal Council Legal Resource Center with the directive to provide support to members and Tribal employees appearing in the Oneida Judiciary; and
- WHEREAS,** the GTC Legal Resource Center is managed by a Supervising Attorney and two lay advocates elected by the members; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has recognized that notwithstanding the creation of the General Welfare Assistance program to address unmet needs of members, creation of the GTC Legal Resource Center, and on-going support provided through governmental programming, that many members remain in need of civil or criminal legal services; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee supports the submission of application under the Bureau of Justice Assistance of the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice for the BJA Tribal Civil and Criminal Legal Assistance Grants, Training and Technical Assistance Competitive Grant to provide civil and criminal legal assistance to low-income individuals available to nonprofit organizations who are experienced in providing legal assistance to low-income individuals pursuant to federal poverty guidelines, federally recognized Indian tribes, or tribal justice systems;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Business Committee supports the submission of an application under the BJA TCCLA Grant by Wisconsin Judicare Inc. to strengthen civil and criminal legal assistance to low-income Oneida members, including but not limited to public defender services, civil legal assistance addressing collateral consequences of conviction and arrest, and supporting annual legal clinics.

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 were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 2nd day of August, 2023; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



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."