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BC Resolution # 12-13-23-B

Grant Application to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration for the Tribal Broadband Grant Program to Improve Broadband Connectivity on the Reservation

- **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 Nation has a critical need for broadband services and facilities because portions of the Reservation are underserved and lack adequate broadband capacity; and
- **WHEREAS,** the resolution of this problem will require the designing, engineering, and construction of new broadband and wireless communication facilities and systems to address these inadequacies within the reservation boundaries; and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Commerce and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) have stated their commitment to expanding tribal broadband infrastructure deployment and services in underserved and/or unserved areas and promoting digital inclusion through the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program; and
- WHEREAS, the NTIA has issued a funding opportunity (NTIA-ICG-TBCPO-2023-2008098) for the deployment of broadband infrastructure and Broadband Services on Tribal Lands; and
- WHEREAS, a resolution of consent from each tribal government is required;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Nation provides this resolution to indicate its support and consent for the Digital Technology Systems department to apply to NTIA for the Tribal Broadband Grant Program on behalf of the Oneida Nation.

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; 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 13th day of December, 2023; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

sa Liggins, Seo etary Oneida Business Committee

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