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BC Resolution # 02-12-25-C Improving Access to Dementia Care for Native American Veteran and Non-Veteran Elders

- **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 proposed research proposal is to create a collaborative effort by the University of Wisconsin Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, the Department of Veteran Affairs Office of Rural health, the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center and the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division; and
- **WHEREAS,** the proposed research project will combine grants from the Veteran Affairs Office of Rural Health and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) which is available through the HRSA grant for at least 5 years with the possibility of renewal thereafter; and
- WHEREAS, the project aims to expand existing dementia assessment and management services through telehealth to increase access to high-quality and culturally safe dementia services to support aging in place for Oneida Elders while educating local health care staff and remote telehealth staff to provide high-quality, culturally safe care for elders through work with Veteran Elders, Non-Veteran Elders and their family caregivers; and
- WHEREAS, the project plans to conduct a needs assessment to identify gaps in dementia care access and infrastructure within the Oneida Nation Community by conducting interviews with 10 Native American elders, 10 family members and 10 tribal stakeholders, as well as 2 focus group sessions with OCHD clinic staff. A total of 50 subjects will be enrolled who fit the criteria of Native American, 55 years of age or older or identifying as a caregiver of a Native American aged 55 years or older; and
- **WHEREAS,** targeted recruitment will aim to enroll at least 10 self-identified military Veterans and 10 caregivers of military Veterans who are able to communicate in English; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the proposed project submitted from the University of Wisconsin Madison School of Medicine and Public Health, the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Rural Health, the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in collaboration with the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division will be led by Principal investigator Dr. Mary Wyman Clinical Psychologist Investigator, W.S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital (Madison VA);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that data collected will be de-identified to protect confidentiality and minimize any risk associated with the completion of this study and/or any future phases of this project will require additional approvals in accordance with Resolution BC-05-08-19-A;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any data collected will remain the property of the Oneida Nation and any publication of results will require prior approval of the Oneida Nation Business Committee;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that information or publications from this research and/or any phase of this research be presented to the Oneida Business Committee prior to distribution to other forums for approval to include presentation at community meetings, local conferences, national conferences or in scientific journals;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Oneida Nation is the protector and owner of the information collected as part of this study. The final disposition of the information collected will be determined by the Oneida Nation, including it's use, storage and/or destruction;

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 12th day of February 2025; that the forgoing 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.

Oneida Business Committee

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