## **Oneida Nation**

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## BC Resolution # 09-26-25-H Recognizing Lloyd E. Powless Jr. for Lifetime Achievements and Contributions to the Oneida Nation

Nation	
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,	members of the Oneida Nation have given their time, hopes, and energies to the Nation and community; and
WHEREAS,	those actions have provided guidance in developing the Nation to meet future goals, provide opportunities for members, and to create programs, services and benefits for members; and
WHEREAS,	members have stepped forward to make these decisions on behalf of all of us embracing and demonstrating Tsi?niyukwalihotʌ (our ways); and
WHEREAS,	the Oneida Business Committee has identified that recognizing these actions, such as has been in the past for Code Talkers Day, Recognition of Dr. Clifford Abbott, Proclamation of Appreciation Susan White, Proclamation of Appreciation Charles Frederick Whitney "Chaz" Wheelock, and recognition of members serving on the Oneida Business Committee, who, as part of an elected body, made decisions on the behalf of the Oneida Nation affecting the current and future direction of the Nation; and
WHEREAS,	Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. began his service to the Oneida Nation in 1982 when he was approached by Joy Ninham to run for Council Member position she was vacating; and
WHEREAS,	Mr. Powless served on four terms from 1982 until 1993 for a total of eleven years; and
WHEREAS,	during his terms in office he worked closely with his colleagues and the organization to achieve strides in education, health and housing for the Oneida community; and
WHEREAS,	Lloyd Powless did not stop working on behalf of the Nation when he finished elected service as a Council Member, he worked with multiple General Managers, as Assistant General Manager, and Division Director to create organizational structures and programming that would meet the needs of members of the Oneida Nation from its youngest children, to their families, and for those entering their elder years; and

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whereas, not satisfied with his elected service guiding the organization and his employment which provided services to members, he also worked on several boards, committees and commissions and many will remember Lloyd giving interviews regarding the Oneida Nation Pow Wow and the Turtle hat he wore on the last day of every Pow Wow; and

**WHEREAS,** the Nation honors and thanks Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. the years of elected service, employment, and participation in the Nation's activities for many years as he created opportunities for all of us to learn and grow; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Oneida Business Committee recognizes Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. for his lifetime of giving of his time and skills to the Oneida Nation and the community raising us all in the process.

## **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; 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting 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.

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."