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BC Resolution # 08-12-26-B

Extension of the Emergency Adoption of the Safe Neighborhoods Law

- 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 Safe Neighborhoods law ("the Law") was adopted by the Oneida Business Committee on an emergency basis on February 25, 2026, through the adoption of resolution BC-02-25-26-C; and
- WHEREAS,** the purpose of the Law is not to impose a criminal penalty but rather to serve the Nation's compelling interest to promote, protect, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the reservation population by prohibiting sex offenders from loitering or residing in specified areas around locations where vulnerable populations, including children, regularly congregate; and
- WHEREAS,** the Legislative Procedures Act authorizes the Oneida Business Committee to enact legislation on an emergency basis when legislation is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare of the Reservation population, and the adoption of the legislation is required sooner than would be possible under the Legislative Procedures Act; and
- WHEREAS,** the emergency adoption of this Law was, and continues to be, necessary for the preservation of the safety and general welfare of the reservation population due to the fact that sex offenders are a serious threat to the public safety of vulnerable populations, including children, if regulatory measures are not in place that protect the community by reducing opportunity and temptation by prohibiting sex offenders from being present on or residing in specified areas designated as places where vulnerable populations commonly congregate; and
- WHEREAS,** observance of the requirements under the Legislative Procedures Act for adoption of this Law was, and continues to be, contrary to public interest since and the process and requirements of the Legislative Procedures Act cannot be completed in time to ensure that the Law can be adopted and implemented in time to best protect the safety and general welfare of the reservation population; and
- WHEREAS,** emergency adoption of legislation is effective for a period of six (6) months, renewable by the Oneida Business Committee for an additional six (6) month term; and

WHEREAS, the emergency adoption of this Law will expire on August 25, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a six (6) month extension of the emergency adoption of this Law is being requested to allow for the Law to remain in effect while the Legislative Operating Committee finalizes the development of the Law to be presented to the Oneida Business Committee for permanent adoption; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the emergency adoption of the Safe Neighborhoods law is hereby extended for an additional six (6) month period effective August 25, 2026, and shall expire on February 25, 2027.

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 12th day of August, 2026; 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."