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RESOLUTION NO. 75-2-3-A

WHEREAS, the General Tribal Council of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin have reviewed their proposed revised and amended constitution and bylaws, and Federal Corporate Charter; and

WHEREAS, the present constitution provides in Article V - Amendments, "It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to call an election on any proposed amendment upon receipt of a petition signed by one-third (1/3) of the qualified voters of the tribe," and

WHEREAS, there is an unquestionable fact that there has been a widespread dispersal of tribal members since the original constitution and bylaws were approved which makes it nearly impossible, if not impossible, to obtain such a petition; and

WHEREAS, in view of this, action by the Secretary only upon receipt of a petition as provided in Article V would unnecessarily delay the efforts of the General Tribal Council to effect constitutional improvements; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Secretary of the Interior is respectfully requested to waive the provisions of Article V - Amendments, of the present constitution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Secretary of the Interior is also respectfully requested to authorize an election to permit the qualified voters of the Oneida Tribe of Indians to vote on the adoption or rejection of the revised and amended constitution and bylaws, and Federal Corporate Charter, as requested in General Tribal Council resolution, dated January 4, 1975, adopted by a vote of 75 for and 0 against, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, it is the opinion of this Oneida Business Committee that authorization to request such a waiver of Article V - Amendments, is contained in same General Tribal Council resolution, dated January 4, 1975.

CERTIFICATION

6 for - 0 against