

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.

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UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE  
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

## RESOLUTION # 02-24-99A

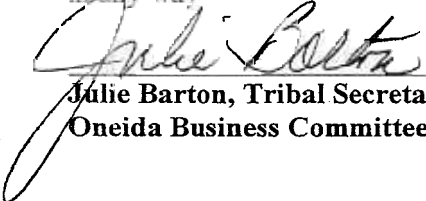
### Cass Lake Bena High School Name Change Resolution

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribe Constitution by the Oneida General Council, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has consistently for many years advanced a policy deploring the use of disrespectful logos, and mascots which abase and degrade Indian people.
- WHEREAS, the word "squaw" is a corruption of American Indian words and is used in a derogatory manner by non-Indians whether intentionally, which is disrespectful to Indian women in particular, and
- WHEREAS, the American Indian population, particularly the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is offended by the use of the word in public places and literature of the American public, and
- WHEREAS, it is commendable to see our American Indian students rise up to confront issues and attempt to educate public officials and the general public about derogatory words that are demeaning to American Indians.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin does hereby support the Cass Lake Bena High School NAME CHANGE COMMITTEE in their efforts to bring awareness and request for change on all public places and literature where the offensive words are used.

### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of nine (9) members of whom five (5) members constitute a quorum. 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 24th day of February, 1999; 7 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way

  
Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee