

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



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 # 4-7-89-A

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians 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 Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, 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, from time to time, it becomes necessary to clarify the official policies of the Oneida Tribe on issues important to the tribal membership, and

WHEREAS, the Tribe considers home building for the tribal membership utilizing the skills and labor of our own members to be a first priority, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the attached policy know as the "HOME BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION POLICY OF 1989" is hereby adopted and ordered to be promulgated and published.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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 constitutes a quorum. 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 7th day of April 1989; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for; 1 members against, 1 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

HOME BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION POLICY OF 1989

It has become necessary to clearly state the Tribe's policies regarding the purchase, rehabilitation, and construction of new homes on the Oneida Reservation. This policy also is appropriate to the purchase of lands by the Oneida Land Committee. The policy includes reference to related subjects of management, finance, and Oneida preference hiring. The official policy of the Tribe regarding these matters is stated as follows:

1. That in 1988, through a public opinion survey of adult tribal members, one of the first priorities was a desire to build additional homes utilizing the employment of our own tribal members through a construction company owned by a tribally chartered or licensed company.
2. That it is the Tribe's continuing priority to provide for homes for low income families, but more innovativeness and diligence must be pursued in the fulfillment of that goal including utilizing "force account" procedures in construction and determining the possibility of low income people owning their own homes.
3. That the Tribe recognizes that there are a large amount of tribal members who desire to finance and purchase their own homes and that the Oneida Tribe also considers this to be a first priority and desires to continue to expand assistance in these endeavors.
4. That the Tribe desires to build homes by using our own construction organizations and through contracting and employment preference being extended to Oneida contractors, sub-contractors, and employees.
5. That the Office of Economic Development is presently pursuing a feasibility study of a construction company consistent with the desires of the Tribe.
6. That Management of the Tribe is directed to implement this policy by finalizing a plan for construction and home building subject to approval by the Oneida Business Committee.
7. That it is the desire of the Tribe to utilize any available funds to leverage and finance land acquisition funds, reserve funds, investment funds, federal funds, loan guarantees, state funds, and any other means possible to provide financial support to purchase land, buy existing homes, or construct homes for purchase by tribal members. Methods of utilizing tribal funds for the purpose of expanding these efforts shall be a first priority of the Tribe.
8. That it is the desire of the Tribe to seek ways to expand the capital formation efforts of the Tribe in order to make more funds available for financing the purchase of land and homes for lease and ownership by the membership of the Oneida Tribe and it is the intention of the Tribe to increasingly utilize its cash deposits, savings, and reserves to generate a reservation economy.

9. That the management of the Tribe is directed to devise measures calculated to expand Oneida tribal member rights and preferential treatment in the maintenance, rehabilitation, and construction of tribal capital improvements and those preferences should be expanded in the areas of contracting and employment.

10. That the management of the Tribe is directed by the Oneida Business Committee to promulgate these policies and provide for new directions which protect the rights of Oneida Tribal members to be employed and contract for construction services.

11. That the management of the Tribe is directed to participate with the Oneida Housing Authority, the Oneida Land Committee, the Oneida Trust Committee, and other appropriate tribal entities and departments to accomplish the related tasks.