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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.

NOTICE OF DISCLAIMER

Resolution # GTC-4-17-99-A

The Oneida Business Committee, at a duly called meeting, adopts this Notice of Disclaimer in regards to the General Tribal Council Resolution # GTC-4-17-99-A. The resolution as adopted contains numerous inaccuracies in the Whereas portions which were not addressed during the General Tribal Council meeting and were allowed to remain in the adopted resolution.

Resolutions adopted by the Oneida Tribe contain both Whereas portions, and Resolve portions. For purposes of legislative history, the Whereas portions are created to give an idea or intent of the body adopting the resolution. In regards to General Tribal Council resolutions, the document may be submitted either through a request of the Oneida Business Committee, or by petition. If the former occurs, there are numerous opportunities to verify and correct the information placed in the Whereas portion of the resolution. However, when a resolution is presented by petition, there is little ability to amend and correct the Whereas information.

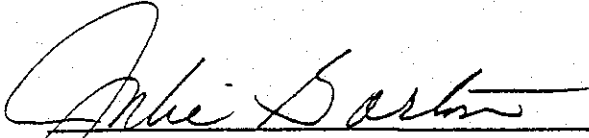
In this instance, the authors of the petition and resolution failed to respond or make amendments to the resolution in a manner which would allow a corrected resolution to be forwarded to the processes. This resulted in placement of a resolution before the General Tribal Council that contained errors in the Whereas language.

At the General Tribal Council meeting, the focus of discussion was on the need for a per capita and the ability to make a per capita payment. No discussion of the Whereas language took place, and no opportunity to correct the Whereas language presented itself at the meeting. As a result, it may appear that approval and/or acceptance of this language actually occurred by adoption of the resolution. But, again, no discussion or correction of the Whereas language ever occurred.

The Oneida Business Committee has adopted the Notice of Disclaimer to avoid reliance on erroneous statements that were not discussed, were not specifically approved, and were not given an opportunity for correction at the General Tribal Council meeting.

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 19th day of May, 1999; that the foregoing statement was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said statement has not be rescinded or amended in any way.



Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE