



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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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 # 5-12-93-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, the Oneida Tribe pursuant to its Constitution has the authority to enact laws and promulgate regulations and rules governing the conduct and activities of its members and employees on the Oneida Indian Reservation, including laws effecting the status of Oneida members, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has enacted civil laws, by ordinance which are recognized by other jurisdictions, including the State of Wisconsin, and may do so again as deemed appropriate by the Oneida Tribe, and
- WHEREAS, vital statistics of the Oneida Tribe, including deaths and births, are accepted and duly recorded by the Wisconsin Bureau of Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Social Services, and
- WHEREAS, tribal marriages may also be so recorded provided that a system of records are maintained for actions affecting families, including marriages, which are conducted pursuant to the Constitutional authority of the Oneida Tribe, and
- WHEREAS, Tribal customary marriages have been entered into by members of the Oneida Tribe on the Oneida Indian Reservation, which the tribal government determines are recognized as legitimate civil marriage agreements as that term is understood under Chapter 765 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and
- WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has determined that it is in the interest of the Oneida Tribe and its members to authorize civil marriages pursuant to the Constitution of the Oneida Tribe that will be duly recorded by the Oneida Tribe and the State of Wisconsin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe hereby authorizes civil marriage agreements entered into by members of the Oneida Tribe who would be otherwise eligible and capable of being married under the laws of the State of Wisconsin provided that all relevant information, documents and commitment provided for in Chapter 763 of the Wisconsin Statute are adhered to and that such information and documents are provided to the appropriate body of the Oneida Tribe to be recorded and forwarded thereafter to the Wisconsin bureau of Vital Statistics in Madison, Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an ordinance be drafted setting forth the requirements for the recognition of civil marriages between members of the Oneida Tribe pursuant to procedures adopted for the enactment of all ordinances and that this be accomplished as a tribal priority.

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 constitute a quorum. 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 12th day of MAY, 1993; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee