



# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.



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

Oneida  
ROUTE 1



Wisconsin  
54155

UGWA DEHOLUH 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.

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August 17, 1971

## Senatorial Investigation of Federal Seizure of Indian Land and Rights to the Use of Water in Violation of Indian Constitutional guarantee.

Whereas, 200,000 American Indians acting through their representatives on June 29, 1971, presented to Senators, Kennedy and Tunney, the facts respecting the irreseparable damage to them and threats of even greather damage which may be expected by Federal activities in clear violation of Indian title to land and right to the use of water are not immediately prohibited,

Whereas, Interiors and Justice departments acting individually and in concert are destroying the American Indians and their Reservation in Western United States, and

Whereas, Senators Kennedy and Tunney expressed interest in a Congressional Investigation of this very complex matter.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, be, in concert with the representatives of all the tribes in the Western and Southwestern United States, so hereby pledge their support for the long needed Congressional Investigation of the Department of the Interior for abrogating its responsibilities as trustee for the property rights of American Indians and Alaska Natives and Indians.

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

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members, of whom 6 being present and constatuting a quorum at a meeting there of duly called, convened, and held this 17 day of Aug. 1971, that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by an affirmative vote of 6 for and 2 against, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Amelia Cornelius  
Secretary