



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 NO. 8-19-88-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's gaming interests and operations are threatened by Senate Bill S.555, the "Indian Gaming Regulatory Act," and
- WHEREAS, S.555 provides for unrealistic and unfair assessment provisions against the Tribe's gaming income, and
- WHEREAS, S.555 threatens income providing the Tribe with health, welfare, education, economic and governmental benefits, and
- WHEREAS, this same income provides employment and income not only to tribal members, but provides \$250 million dollars to the local Green Bay economy, and
- WHEREAS, Oneida tribal employment has been reduced in 1976 from 40.1% to the present 21% unemployment rate, and
- WHEREAS, S.555 provides for unwarranted interference with the Tribe's inherent right to conduct self government while at the same time it promotes the interests of private non-Indian interests in other states.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin unequivocally opposes S.555, considering it to be against our best interests, and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oneida Business Committee hereby requests that all other Indian Tribes join us in resisting the passage of S.555 and any other bill that proposes to abridge our inherent rights as guaranteed by federal treaties, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oneida Tribe respectfully requests the assistance of U.S. Senate and Congressional representatives in resisting the bill and the accompanying unwarranted intrusion of private gaming interests in federal Indian affairs, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That the Chairman of the Tribe and all the Tribe's duly authorized agents are directed to join with other Tribes as well as representatives of other local governments to oppose this bill.

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 19th day of August 1988; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for; 0 members against, 0 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