

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

## Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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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 # 11-08-00-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, More than ninety percent (90%) of the Oneida Tribe's annual budget is directly derived from gaming revenues, supporting health care, education (kindergarten through college), social services, economic development, government-to-government service agreements, and Oneida governmental services, and
- WHEREAS that revenue is presently being threatened by the efforts of other Tribes to pursue a casino complex in our immediate market area, and
- WHEREAS, these efforts by other Tribes to establish a casino will have a devastating impact on our casino operation, including but not limited to; decreased revenues, layoffs and exiting employees, and result in decreases in tribal programs an services, housing, and land acquisition, and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Government has a fiduciary responsibility under treaties and the United States Constitution to protect the rights and economic development of the Oneida Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, any gaming intrusion by other Tribes or private developers will harm the opportunity for our membership and economy to grow and flourish like other communities, and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin by this resolution is officially on record in opposition to any efforts by other Tribes or private developers to establish an off reservation casino operation within a fifty (50) mile radius of the Oneida Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman shall forward or otherwise communicate this resolution to the Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs, the Governor of Wisconsin, and such other officials and persons as he shall deem appropriate.

## **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. 9 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 8th day of November 2000; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 8 members for; 0 members against; and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee