

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.



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## A RESOLUTION BY THE ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE OF WISCONSIN PETITIONING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ONEIDA CONSOLIDATED AGENCY

Whereas, Oneida Indians have since the year 1821 been residing on our present reservation area in Wisconsin almost entirely without Bureau of Indian Affairs support and assistance, during which time we have experienced a consistent and oppressive diminishment of our Indian land base; non-presence of even the limited services made available to other Indians of the United States; and a general disinterest on the part of the State and local government, to assist our tribe in individual and group development efforts, and

Whereas, Commissioner Louis R. Bruce has outlined a new direction for the development of Indian reservations and communities by Indians themselves with the help of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the thrust, of which promises to pass by the Oneida Indians because of our limited association with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and

Whereas, the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin now has a population 2,700 residing on or in the immediate vicinity of the Oneida Reservation established in 1838; a group which has considerable promise of being capable of immediately benefitting from the new thrust efforts of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and

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Whereas, the Indian communities of Stockbridge-Munsee, Winnebago and Mole Lake are within an easy service area of the Oneida reservation, and

Whereas, the Oneida Reservation is immediately in the vicinity of a highly developed industrial area of Wisconsin which should render a high potential for industrial and employment development as visualized by the Bureau's new thrust and with additional high potential for job and career development for those people desiring to remain on their own land but benefit from off reservation jobs and

Whereas, the Bureau of Indian Affairs may have certain professional level staff available for reassignment to areas more appropriate to the new direction policies, now

Be It Therefore Resolved: That Commissioner Louis R. Bruce is herewith petitioned to establish an Oneida Agency to serve the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin and other tribes within a reasonable service area

Be It Further Resolved that the agency as established be primarily staffed to offer individual and community development service such as:

promotion and establishment of individual and community enterprises both to provide services and private business support to the community, and as a part of the greater business community;

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- (2). opportunities for higher education and training with a stress on training to serve the community
- 3). needed community support to assure that children and youth of the reservation are accorded the needed social and motivational assistance to realize the opportunities available to the greater community; and other traditional services which will benefit the Oneida Tribe

Be It Further Resolved that a target date for establishment of the Oneida Agency is July 1, 1972.

## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Tribal Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Tribal Business Committee is composed of nine members of whom five members, constituting a quorum, were present at a regular meeting. The meeting was duly called on March 6, 1972. The above resolution was passed by a vote of 5 for, 0 abstain and 0 against and the above resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

*Amelia Carnahan*  
Secretary, Oneida Tribe of Wis.