

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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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# 05-19-99A

Yellowstone Bison Native American Nations Resolution

- WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally Indian government and treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; 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 Yellowstone National Park bison herds exist almost exclusively on public lands both in and out of the Yellowstone Park and is the last free roaming herd remaining in the U.S.; and
- WHEREAS, several State and Federal agencies are wantonly exterminating all bison crossing out of the Park boundaries regardless of land ownership status outside of the Park boundaries; and
- WHEREAS, many of the wildlife species of the Greater Yellowstone Area carry Brucella organisms that the bison are being persecuted for, yet there are no drastic measures being taken in regard to these species due to the economic value of these species to the surrounding States; and
- WHEREAS, the National Park Service is under the guidelines of the Department of Interior and is responsible for the preservation of the last holistic western ecosystem in the U.S.; and
- WHEREAS, The Department of Interior has a long standing treaty and trust responsibility to Tribes including providing assistance to Tribes in acquiring bison from public lands; and
- WHEREAS, the Inter-tribal Bison Cooperative has developed a proposal to effectively place live bison that test negative to Brucellosis in a quarantine facility until they

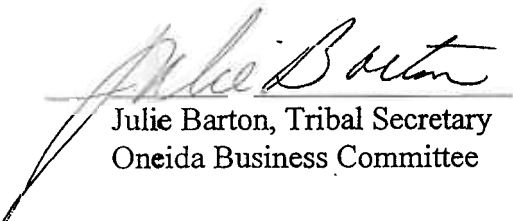
successfully complete extensive testing and are permitted to be released to tribal and public lands; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin strongly opposes the killing of Yellowstone bison; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Oneida Nation Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, acting pursuant to its lawfully delegated authority, hereby supports the Great Sioux Nation in demanding cessation of the wanton killing of bison and cooperation of all appropriate agencies with the Inter-Tribal Cooperative in resolving the Yellowstone bison issue in a manner which provides for the live transfer of these buffalo to Native American Nations.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 member of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. 7 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, noticed and held on the 19th day of May, 1999; 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.



Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee