

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.



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 # 11-27-91-13

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 Business Committee has determined that the National Indian Gaming Commission in promulgating regulations under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 has not acted in the spirit of said law as set forth in the findings and purposes of the Act, specifically, the National Indian Gaming Commission has failed

" . . . to promote tribal economic development, tribal self-sufficiency, and strong tribal government; and" . . .
" . . . to protect such gaming as a means of generating tribal revenue"

by issuing regulations without adequate prior consultation with tribal governments, or to consider alternatives identified by some tribes and Indian organizations, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe as a constituent member of the National Congress of American Indians for many years has joined other Indian nations and tribes through NCAI in confronting agencies of the federal government and even the three branches of government directly when their actions and policies contradict the sovereign governmental rights of Indian people, and


WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has determined that NCAI can be a strong voice in speaking out against the excesses of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe hereby requests the National Congress of American Indians to adopt a resolution setting forth the governmental concerns of tribal governments in conducting or authorizing gaming on their reservations, and demanding full hearings of the NIGC for tribal governments prior to the finalization of any regulations now pending or the promulgation of future regulations under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the National Congress of American Indians through its network of communications encourage all tribe to make their concerns heard to the Gaming Commission, the Senate Select Committee, and the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee of the House on this important issue.

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 constitute a quorum. 8 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 27th day of November, 1991; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for; 0 members against; and 0 not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee