

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 # 6-2-87-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 Head Start Program is deemed to be of the highest priority in educational services to Oneida children, and

WHEREAS, the present intention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services to declare Indian tribal headstart programs ineligible for expansion funds will result in the denial of head start program benefits for Oneida children, and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Census relied upon by the Department of Health and Human Services has been contested by the Oneida Tribe and other Indian governments as yielding erroneous conclusions about expansion needs of Indian tribes, and

WHEREAS, there is a waiting list of Oneida children for the Oneida Head Start Program which will increase in fall 1987,

and can be expected to increase even more in the future considering the median age of the Oneida Tribe is twenty-six (26), and

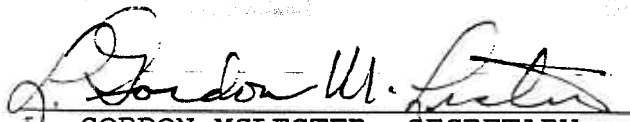
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Oneida Tribe to fully provide for its children by expanding its head start services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Tribe strenuously objects to the exclusion of Indian head start programs as potential recipients of head start expansion funds and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Health and Human Services should reconsider this exclusion that will result in turning away needy Indian children from the valuable head start.

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 6 members, constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 2ND day of JUNE, 1987; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, 0 members not voting.


L. GORDON MCLESTER, SECRETARY
Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI