



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



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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 NO. 6-7-83-A

- WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has recently passed legislation to provide for emergency expenditures to meet national needs; and,
- WHEREAS, This legislation is commonly referred to as the Jobs Bill; and,
- WHEREAS, One provision of the Jobs Bill provides for a supplemental allocation of \$30 million to the BIA HIP Housing Program; and,
- WHEREAS, The Bureau of Indian Affairs has been charged with the responsibility of distributing this \$30 million HIP appropriation equitably among the nation's Indian Tribes; and,
- WHEREAS, Equitable distribution formulas can be achieved only through a structured process which provides for full participation and maximum input from the affected Tribes; and,
- WHEREAS, The Bureau of Indian Affairs has made no such consultations that the Oneida Tribe is aware of; and,
- WHEREAS, The Oneida Business Committee, at its own initiative, has made efforts to update the BIA regarding its need for supplemental HIP Housing Funds, specifically, those appropriated through the Jobs Bill; and,
- WHEREAS, These funds are needed to alleviate severe housing problems; and,
- WHEREAS, Notwithstanding any of the above, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has developed a distribution formula for the Jobs Bill's supplemental \$30 million in HIP funding; and,
- WHEREAS, The Oneida Business Committee feels very strongly that the proposed distribution formula is NOT equitable; so,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,


That the Oneida Tribe does hereby call for an immediate investigation on the procedures and formula used to allocate these funds, and that the Oneida Tribe does hereby demand that the pending distribution of these HIP funds be suspended; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That an equitable and structured process which allows for maximum input from affected Indian Tribes should be developed and implemented immediately in order to effect a timely and just reallocation of these funds.

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 8 members, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the 7 day of June, 1983; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 7 members for, 0 members against and 2 members not voting; and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
L. Gordon McLester, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee