

**ONEIDA INDIAN NATION  
ORDINANCE TO REDEVELOP HOUSING ON TERRITORY ROAD**

**Ordinance No. 00- 03**

The Oneida Indian Nation enacts this Ordinance to eliminate dilapidated and unsafe housing on that portion of Nation lands commonly referred to as Territory Road and to further the goal of a decent home and a suitable living environment for persons residing on Nation land. This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the sovereignty and inherent powers of self-government of the Oneida Indian Nation and to the Nation's mandate to provide for the health, safety and welfare of its members.

**ARTICLE I  
FINDINGS**

For some time the Nation has been working to improve the housing situation on Nation land. Much of the housing on Territory Road is old, dilapidated and apparently unsafe for human habitation, and the Nation has embarked upon a program to redevelop housing on Territory Road and to eliminate any housing there that is not or cannot be made safe for people to live in. Redevelopment of housing on Territory Road is important to protect the health and well-being of people who live on Territory Road and to end a blight upon land that the Nation has held in its possession since time immemorial, and that is the site of community facilities of political, cultural and social significance to the Nation, including the Nation's Council House, Shakow:i Cultural Center, Cookhouse, and athletic facilities, which are community facilities that the Nation has redeveloped, and which are frequented by Nation members and their guests.

**ARTICLE II  
HOUSING REDEVELOPMENT ON TERRITORY ROAD**

The Nation directs its agents and agencies, including the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Oneida Housing Corporation, to cause to be entered and inspected all housing on Territory Road to determine which houses are safe places in which to live and which are not, to require rehabilitation of any house determined to be unsafe, and to remove with fair compensation (of no less than \$1,000) any house that cannot be rehabilitated or is not rehabilitated within a reasonable amount of time. The Nation further directs its agents and agencies to arrange interim or permanent housing, as appropriate, for current residents of Territory Road who live in houses determined by the Nation to be unsafe places in which to live, to compensate such residents for those actual and reasonable costs associated with moving from Territory Road to interim or permanent houses, to establish rules and regulations, and to take such other measures as are necessary to effectuate the redevelopment of Territory Road.

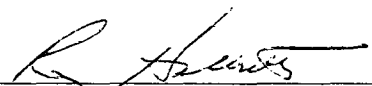
**ARTICLE III  
INTERPRETATION**

1. Nation Housing Laws. This Ordinance shall be interpreted consistently with other Nation housing laws, but, in the event that any portion of this Ordinance cannot be interpreted consistently with another Nation housing law, this Ordinance shall control.
2. Sovereign Immunity. The Nation does not by enacting this Ordinance waive in any respect its sovereign immunity, or that of its agents or officers, in any manner, under any law, for any purpose, or in any place.
3. No Right of Action. This Ordinance does not create any right, cause of action, or benefit enforceable at law or in equity by any individual, entity, person or party against the Nation, its representatives, governing officials, agencies, officers, employees or any other person.
4. Not Subject to Review. This Ordinance is not subject to review or modification in any state or federal court or by any authority outside the Nation.

**ARTICLE IV  
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance is effective upon enactment.

Enacted this 6 day of July 2000.

  
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Ray Halbritter  
Nation Representative(s)