## **RESOLUTION 08142023-2**

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN BROADBAND EXPANSION GRANT TO BUILD A FIBER BROADBAND INTERNET SYSTEM IN THE TOWN OF WALWORTH, WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN

**WHEREAS, I**n the State of Wisconsin Broadband Expansion Grant funding will be available to eligible applicants; and

**WHEREAS,** The Town of Walworth supports discussions to construct several miles of fiber through eligible areas in the Town of Walworth, Walworth County, WI in all grant eligible areas; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Walworth understands the need for expanded broadband internet to promote business expansion with new jobs and serve the needs of community anchor institutions in rural Wisconsin communities, including online access to services such as ecommerce, home health, and government business web portals; and

**WHEREAS**, The provider is currently engaged in engineering analysis designed to produce detailed project parameters and cost estimates to be used to compile a competitive Broadband Expansion Grant application(s); and

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Walworth understands that supporting fiber broadband expansion project(s) will enhance the likelihood of success for the project; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Town of Walworth Town Board supports all applications to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Broadband Expansion Grant Program and the subsequent project to build fiber throughout the Town that will provide broadband internet service capable of serving community anchor institutions and businesses located along the fiber route.

Dated this 6th day of September 2023.

\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_ Town Chair: David J. Rowbotham

Attest:

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Town Clerk/Treasurer: Marie Baker