

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A GREAT GRANT APPLICATION BY CONNECT HOLDING II, LLC D/B/A BRIGHTSPEED

WHEREAS, The N.C. Department of Information Technology's Broadband Infrastructure Office, as authorized under S.L. 2018-5 and amended by S.L. 2019-230 and S.L. 2020-97, provides state-funded grants to private providers of broadband services to facilitate the deployment of broadband service to unserved areas of North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, The Growing Rural Economies with Access to Technology (GREAT) Program funds the terrestrial deployment of broadband within unserved areas of economically distressed counties in the most rural and remote areas of the state, and

WHEREAS, Many areas of Montgomery County are unserved or underserved by broadband service, and

WHEREAS, Connect Holding II, LLC d/b/a Brightspeed intends to apply for GREAT grant funding to deploy fiber to the home service to up to 3,500 unserved or underserved locations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT:

1. Montgomery County supports the GREAT grant application by Connect Holding II, LLC d/b/a Brightspeed and requests favorable consideration by the State of NC.
2. The County agrees to contribute \$5,000 of its allocation from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLFRF) - American Rescue Plan Act towards the project if the project is awarded GREAT grant funding.
3. Frankie Maness, County Manager, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a memorandum of understanding with Brightspeed and execute other such documents pursuant to the GREAT grant described above.

DULY ADOPTED

Date: April 19, 2022
Motion by Commissioner: Hassell
Seconded by Commissioner: Robinson
Adopted by the following vote: 5 Ayes
0 Noes
0 Abstained

BY:

Dana Dawson
Dana Dawson, Chair, Board of County Commissioners

Date

4/19/22

CERTIFICATION BY RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners does hereby certify: that the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution as adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Montgomery duly held on the 19th day of April

2022 and, further, that such ordinance has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in the Clerk's office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of April 2022.

BY: Misty H. Coffin
Misty Coffin, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners

4/19/22
Date