

Supporting Applications for the Connect NY Broadband Grant That Include the Towns of Denning, Hardenburgh, Rochester and Wawarsing

Referred to: Laws and Rules Committee (Chairman Roberts, Legislators Robert Parete, Donaldson, Fabiano, Loughran, Maio and Ronk)

Legislator Thomas J. Briggs and John R. Parete offer the following:

WHEREAS, broadband internet service is considered critical infrastructure in the modern economy; and

WHEREAS, lack of broadband service negatively affects public safety, education, and business; and

WHEREAS, New York State has made grant funding available under the Connect NY Broadband Grant Program to extend rural broadband service; and

WHEREAS, private vendors are able to apply for funding to extend broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Connect NY Broadband Grant applications are due October 5, 2012; and

WHEREAS, broadband service is lacking in portions of the Towns of Denning, Hardenburgh, Rochester and Wawarsing; and

WHEREAS, private vendor Time Warner has indicated an intention to submit an application that covers portions of Denning and Hardenburgh; and

WHEREAS, private vendors Link By Air and Rural Technologies Strategies have indicated an intention to submit a joint application that covers portions of Rochester and Wawarsing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby supports the applications by Time Warner Cable, Link By Air and Rural Technologies Strategies for Connect NY Broadband Grant assistance to expand rural broadband service in the Towns of Denning, Hardenburgh, Rochester and Wawarsing;

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Donaldson and Harris)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE

Resolution No. 247 September 19, 2012

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Deputy Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 19^h day of September, 2012, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 20th Day of September in the year Two Thousand and Twelve.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
20th Day of September, 2012.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk

Approved by the County Executive this
20th Day of September, 2012.

|s| Michael P. Hein
Michael P. Hein, County Executive