**XXX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**COUNTY RESOLUTION #\_\_\_\_\_**

 **A RESOLUTION TO PARTNER WITH [ISP NAME] TO PROVIDE CERTAIN COUNTY FUNDS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 TO PARTNER WITH [ISP NAME] TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE IN CERTAIN AREAS OF [COUNTY NAME].**

**WHEREAS,** Broadband service is vital to the economic development of **[COUNTY NAME]**; and

**WHEREAS**, The American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) provided funding to **[COUNTY NAME]**, which can be used to promote broadband services; and

**WHEREAS,** **[COUNTY NAME]** has authorized a total ARPA contribution not to exceed **[total ARPA dollar amount set aside for broadband partnerships]** for promotion of broadband services for any and all potential broadband partnerships; and,

**WHEREAS,** **[ISP NAME]** is a retail provider of communications services including the provision of broadband services to portions of **[COUNTY NAME]**; and

**WHEREAS**, **[ISP NAME]** intends to apply for a grant under the North Carolina Growing Rural Areas Through Access Through Technology Act (“GREAT Act”) to provide broadband services to identified unserved areas of **[COUNTY NAME]**; and,

**WHEREAS**, Rowan County strongly supports the grant application of Yadkin Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, if Yadkin Valley is selected by the North Carolina Broadband Infrastructure Office to receive State Fiscal Recovery Funds for the **[COUNTY NAME]** project, then **[COUNTY NAME]** will contribute a portion of its ARPA funds, up to **[maximum potential award to ISP partner referenced in this agreement]**, to support the project based on the total amount awarded by the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the infrastructure to be completed shall be owned and operated by **[COUNTY NAME]**.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the **[COUNTY NAME]** Board of Commissioners that:

1. **[COUNTY NAME]** offers a partnership agreement to **[ISP NAME]** for the expressed purpose of supporting **[ISP NAME]**’s GREAT Act application to construct fiber to the home broadband services for specified unserved areas of **[COUNTY NAME]** as agreed upon by the County and **[ISP NAME]**.
2. Should the GREAT grant application be successfully awarded to **[ISP NAME]**, **[COUNTY NAME]** shall contribute their match portion, up to **[total amount noted above for this specific ISP]**, from the County’s ARPA funds to the project.
3. The broadband services and infrastructure related thereto shall be owned and operated by **[ISP NAME]**.

Adopted this \_\_\_ day of **[Month, Year]**

 **[COUNTY NAME]** Board of Commissioners

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[Chair Name]

Chairman

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[Clerk Name]

Clerk to the Board