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TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Berrien County is permitted to sub-grant a portion of its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to local entities for the purpose of deploying broadband; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners approved resolution B2201192 on January 27, 2022 which authorized a process whereby local entities could apply for the use of ARPA funds for the purposes of broadband access to the unserved and underserved; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners has prepared an application inviting local entities to request sub-granted ARPA funds for broadband and placed the deadline for applications on July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County was made aware of some additional funding opportunities that may be made available specifically for broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to provide every opportunity for the local entities to expand or improve their broadband infrastructure, the Board of Commissioners wishes to extend the application period through October 31, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorize staff to continue the process of accepting applications from eligible local entities requesting distribution of sub-granted funds specifically for broadband deployment through October 31, 2022.

**Respectfully submitted,
BERRIEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Mamie L. Yarbrough, Chairperson

Ezra A. Scott

Jon Hinkelman, Vice Chairperson

Teri Sue Freehling

RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
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