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Dear Mr. Maylone,

As a resident(s) of \_\_\_\_\_, I/we are in support of Cherry Capital Connection's (CCC) application to the NTIA / Michigan Highspeed Internet Office (MIHI) **Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program** which will allow for the expansion of CCC's broadband, open access fiber network in Alcona County. The result will offer internet for all to underserved and unserved areas of Alcona County, as defined by the MIHI Office B.E.A.D. map.

Rural areas of Alcona County, which encompasses most of the County, do not have access to high speed internet services network, and the lack of such access is a barrier to our education system, development of new and established businesses, agriculture, telehealth, tourism and a majority of Alcona County citizens. It prevents economic development in our community and puts Alcona County at a disadvantage in promoting development opportunities to help sustain and grow economic stability in the County.

This Alcona County/Cherry Capital Connection Public/Private Partnership will provide the ability to revitalize the unserved and underserved areas for all Alcona County's eleven Townships and two Cities/Villages, as well as offer additional choices for those in areas where only one provider is present. Building an open access fiber network and delivering high-speed internet services to all will in turn attract new businesses and create much needed jobs.

I/we believe this effort will enhance the opportunity for citizens of Alcona County for quality and affordable access to better:

- Education/Training
- Healthcare
- Business growth
- Emergency services communication
- Other (Please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

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Thank you for the opportunity to acknowledge our support for this application.

Sincerely,

Signature:

Print Name:

Address:

Email Address: