

Resolution No. 2025-02

A Resolution of the Town of Harrison Board of Supervisors Endorsing Bertram Communications, LLC's Application for BEAD Funding for Broadband Expansion in the Township of Harrison, Marathon County, Wisconsin (also referred to as Township 30 North, Range 10 East)

- WHEREAS Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment program (BEAD) funding is available for unserved and underserved households and businesses, within the Town of Harrison;
- WHEREAS, the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program has been established to provide significant funding to expand high-speed internet access across the United States;
- WHEREAS the BEAD Program aims to bridge the digital divide by ensuring that all Americans, regardless of their geographic location, have access to reliable and affordable broadband services;
- WHEREAS the availability of BEAD funding is crucial for supporting infrastructure projects that will enhance connectivity for underserved and unserved households and businesses in the Town of Harrison;
- WHEREAS the purpose of BEAD funding includes promoting economic growth, improving educational opportunities, and enhancing healthcare services through better internet access;
- WHEREAS The Town of Harrison Board of Supervisors recognize that broadband connectivity and reliability is critical infrastructure for health, safety, and quality of life for all community residents to participate in the full benefits of our society and economy, including access to telemedicine, educational, and economic opportunities.
- WHEREAS Bertram Communications, LLC is seeking BEAD funding for the Northeastern portion of Marathon County, Wisconsin
- Therefore, be it resolved that the Town of Harrison Board of Supervisors endorses Bertram Communications, LLC's application for BEAD funding for the Township of Harrison, Marathon County, Wisconsin (also referred to as Township 30 North, Range 10 East);
- Therefore, be it resolved, that the Town of Harrison endorses the application of Bertram Communications, LLC for BEAD funding to support their broadband infrastructure project in the Township of Harrison, Marathon County, Wisconsin (also referred to as Township 30 North, Range 10 East);

- Be it further resolved, that the Town of Harrison directs its clerk to draft and provide a letter to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and the applicant outlining this endorsement and verifying the applicant and geographic location affected, which shall include the minutes from this meeting.