A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AND ENCOURAGING EACH BROADBAND AND COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY DOING BUSINESS IN COLUMBUS-MUSCOGEE COUNTY TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO BRING SERVICES TO THE OLD RIVER ROAD CORRIDOR FROM FIRE STATION 14, 1300 OLD RIVER ROAD, NORTH TO THE COUNTY LINE, AS WELL AS AREAS OF NORTHEAST COLUMBUS TO THE HARRIS COUNTY AND TALBOT COUNTY LINES.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has focused on providing internet and broadband services to rural and underserved areas of the State in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Technology Authority has been established by the State to establish and implement policies and procedures to coordinate state-wide efforts to promote and facilitate deployment of broadband services and other emerging communications technologies throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, this Council has recognized underserved areas in Columbus-Muscogee County, specifically including the Old River Road corridor north and west of River Road in Columbus-Muscogee County, from the Fire Station at 1300 Old River Road to the county line, as well as areas of northeast Columbus to the Harris County and Talbot County lines; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires that broadband and communications companies doing business in Columbus-Muscogee County make every effort to bring services to the corridors described above.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

We hereby request and encourage each broadband and communications company doing business in Columbus-Muscogee County to make every effort to bring services to the Old River Road corridor from Fire Station 14, 1300 Old River Road, north to the county line, as well as areas of northeast Columbus to the Harris County and Talbot County lines.

Let a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Clerk of Council to each broadband and communications company doing business in Columbus-Muscogee County and to the Georgia Technology Authority, 47 Trinity Avenue SW, Atlanta GA 30334.

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| Councilor Thompson | voting | | |
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