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**TO:** OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
**FROM:** HEIDI ARNISON  
**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROTECTION OF COMMUNITY TELEVISION ACT  
**DATE:** 4/17/2020

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The North Metro Telecommunications Commission adopted resolution 2020-01, The Protection of Community Television Act, at its April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting. The Commission encourages its Member Cities to adopt a similar resolution in support of the Act, as well.

The Act is intended to counteract the FCC's Third Report and Order. If implemented the Order could result in reduced franchise fees for Cities. The Protection of Community Television Act would override the Order and return the definition of franchise fees to the way they have been defined for the past 35 years.

Cities and Commission's are urged to adopt the attached resolution supporting the Act. So far, both Minnesota Senators and Representatives McCollum and Omar have signed on as sponsors. The goal is to get all Minnesota Representatives to sign on.