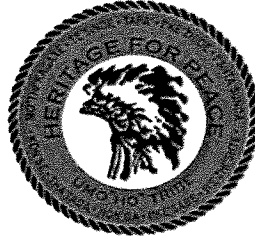


# OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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## RESOLUTION NO. 24-100 OF THE OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

**RE:** Consent Resolution for Grant Application Submission to the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program, Second Round by Quick Current NE, LLC.

**WHEREAS:** The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska is a federally recognized Indian tribe organized under a constitution and bylaws approved by the Secretary of Interior on April 30, 1936, pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934; and

**WHEREAS:** pursuant to Article III, Sec.1 of the constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, the governing body of the Omaha Tribe shall also be known as Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS:** pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 (a) of the constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska provides the Omaha Tribal Council with the power to negotiate with Federal, State, and local governments on behalf of the Tribe, and to advise and consult with the representatives of the Department of the Interior on all activities of the Department that may affect the Omaha Tribe; and

**WHEREAS:** pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 (j) of the Constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska provides the Omaha Tribal Council with the power to safeguard and promote the economy and general welfare of the Omaha Tribe; and

**WHEREAS:** pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 (o) of the Constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska provides the Omaha Tribal Council with the power to charter subordinate organizations for economic purposes and to regulate activities of cooperative associations of members of the Tribe...; and

**WHEREAS:** the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska is a majority owner of Quick Current-Nebraska, LLC; and

**WHEREAS:** High quality Broadband internet networks are essential infrastructure in the current economy and will grow in importance into the future; and

**WHEREAS:** Access to future-proof Broadband infrastructure is vital to job creation for tribal members, support of education for students, and the opportunity for all to participate fully in economic development; and

**WHEREAS:** Significant areas within the reservation have below average internet speed, adoption, and capacity compared to other areas within the region, resulting in “Digital Inequities”; and

**WHEREAS:** In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and to reduce Digital Inequities, the federal government enacted the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program through the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Division N, Title IX, Section 905(c), Public Law 116-260, 134 Stat. 1182 (Dec. 27, 2020); and

**WHEREAS:** The Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program provides federal funding to expand access to and adoption of: (i) broadband service on Tribal Land; or (ii) for programs that promote the use of broadband to access remote learning, telework, or telehealth resources during the COVID–19 pandemic and into the future; and

**WHEREAS:** The Omaha Tribal Council supports Tribal administrator’s grant application for the NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program, funding opportunity NTIA-ICG-TBCPO-2023-2008098 for expanding and upgrading their current network infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS:** The Omaha Tribal Council will ensure the tribe and its administrators, contractors, and consultants are compliance with all applicable laws, environmental requirements, and regulations as stated in the Notice of Award under CFDA Number 11.029 -- Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the Omaha Tribal Council hereby endorses the Tribe’s application for the NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program grant opportunities; and

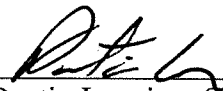
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** the Omaha Tribal Council approves and adopts this Resolution as consent and support for the Tribal administrators to apply for the NTIA Tribal Broadband grant as referenced above.

**CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was considered at a duly called meeting of the Omaha Tribal Council on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024, and was adopted by a vote of: 5 for; 0 against; 1 abstaining; with the Chairman not voting. A quorum of 6 was present.

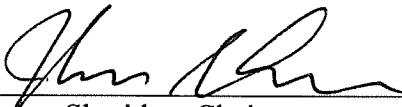
<b>MEMBERS VOTE:</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
<b>Jason Sheridan</b>			<b>Abstain</b>
<b>Jerome Hamilton</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Dustin Lovejoy</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Alan Harlan</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Leander Merrick</b>			<b>Absent</b>
<b>Galen Aldrich Sr.</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Calvin Harlan</b>	<b>X</b>		

**Submitted by:**

  
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 Dustin Lovejoy, Secretary  
 Omaha Tribal Council

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 5/29/24  
 Date

**Attest:**

  
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 Jason Sheridan, Chairman  
 Omaha Tribal Council

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 5/29/24  
 Date