CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

March 26, 2025

No. 25-28

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE EQUAL ACCESS TO BROADBAND ACT

WHEREAS, the Equal Access to Broadband Act would allow local governments to negotiate franchise agreements for broadband providers' use of public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Equal Access to Broadband Act aims to ensure equal access and equitable broadband deployment; and

WHEREAS, the Equal Access to Broadband Act would require broadband providers to meet buildout requirements in underserved areas, ensure cities receive reasonable compensation for the use of public rights-of-way, improve city control over public rights-of-way and help fund access television; and

WHEREAS, City Staff recommends authorizing a letter of support for the Equal Access to Broadband Act as it awaits action in the House Legacy Finance Committee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota:

1. That the City Council acknowledges the importance of supporting the Equal Access to Broadband Act and the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute said letter of support.

ADOPTED this 26th day of March 2025 by the City Council of Falcon Heights, Minnesota.

Moved by:	Mielke		Approved by: Randall C. Gustafson Mayor
GUSTAFSON MEYER LEEHY WASSENBE MIELKE	0	In Favor Against	Attested by: Jack Lineban City Administrator