

Jasmine Gaston  
720 Locust Street  
La Porte City, IA 50651  
August 14, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to you in support of the La Porte City Telephone Company's grant request. The telephone company is looking to use this grant to help keep broadband affordable in our community. Their proposed fee of \$85 for 100 Mbps up and down would be useful to the community as there are many residents (including myself) that work from home and some households run two work from home computers on any given day. The telephone company also participates in Federal programs that allow those with lower income profiles to qualify for credits and the Affordable Connectivity Program.

As a resident and Mayor of La Porte City, my family has used the La Porte City Telephone Company's internet services for almost 10 years. They are reliable and a necessity for our community. Please consider their grant request to help keep high speeds available to our area at an affordable cost.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

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Jasmine Gaston  
La Porte City Mayor



# Hawkins Memorial Library

308 Main Street, La Porte City, IA 50651

319-342-3025

August 11, 2023

Empower Iowa OCIO

RE: Grant Request

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter in support of the request by LPC Connect, La Porte City, IA for a grant through Empower Iowa OCIO NOFA#008 for broadband expansion in Black Hawk County.

Hawkins Memorial Library is very appreciative of the broadband provided by LPC Connect and we support the proposed pricing of \$85 for 100 Mbps down and 100 Mbps up. This pricing is affordable to our community, particularly since LPC Connect does participate in Federal programs that allow those in a lower income profile to apply for lifeline credits of \$9.25/month and the Affordable Connectivity Program of \$30/month.

This application will help reduce eligible unserved locations in the State through the installation of Broadband Infrastructure.

Sincerely,

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Jolene Kronschnabel  
Library Director  
Hawkins Memorial Library  
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