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Sincerely.

Karen Gibler

President at C.A.O Sarpy Chamber

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Angi Burmeister Sarpy County Commissioner District 3



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Cass County Nebraska Economic Development Council 808 ConAgra Drive | Suite 400 | Omaha | NE | 68102 www.OmahaChamber.org/Cass 402-978-7909

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I am writing in support of Cox Communications' commitment to expanding high-speed internet to un-and-underserved communities that lack reliable internet service and enhancing digital equity in areas of Cass County. Cox will be providing Fiber-to-the-Home connectivity.

Cass County is home to 15 municipalities of varying size in addition to its numerous lake communities. As CCNEDC works with these communities to continue growth or reverse decline affordable, reliable high-speed internet is vital and has been identified as an area of focus. As we seek to capitalize on remote work opportunities the opportunities that Cox can provide are exciting and needed.

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2/21/2023

Keri Menage Public Affairs Specialist 11505 W. Dodge Rd Omaha, NE 68154

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Dear Ms. Menage:

Habitat for Humanity of Omaha is writing in support of Cox Communications' commitment to expanding highspeed internet to un-and-underserved communities that lack reliable internet service and enhancing digital equity in areas of Cass and Sarpy counties. Cox will be providing Fiber-to-the-Home connectivity.

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Founded in 1984, Habitat Omaha builds and renovates homes, advocates for better laws and regulations and partners with those who share our vision, "A world where everyone has a quality, safe and healthy place to live." We started our work within the city of Omaha and expanded to the rest of Douglas, Washington, Burt, Cass, and Sarpy Counties – the latter two overlapping with Cox's planned expansion areas. By expanding our service area, we are able to increase the impact of our mission throughout the greater Omaha area. This means that more families gain access to financial and homeowner readiness programs, affordable home improvement solutions, and first-time homeownership opportunities as we help to grow and maintain our community's stock of quality, affordable homes.

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Becky Vinton

Becky Vinton Senior Development Officer





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Grow Sarpy is in full support of closing the digital gap throughout Nebraska and we are in support of all telecommunications companies helping with this effort. Today, I am writing in support of Cox Communications' commitment to expanding high-speed internet to un-and-underserved communities that lack reliable internet service and enhancing digital equity in the La Platte area of my district. Cox will be providing Fiber-to-the-Home connectivity.

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