## RESOLUTION #420 OF THE EWING VILLAGE BOARD

WHEREAS, The Nebraska Legislature passed legislation in 2022 allocating \$80 million for the Capital Projects Fund broadband grant program administered by the Nebraska Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, high-speed broadband access to the Internet is essential to the well-being of residents of the Village of Ewing, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications has provided high-quality telecommunications and Internet services to the Village of Ewing for many years; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications and the Village of Ewing have agreed that an application by Great Plains Communications for the Capital Projects Fund Grant Program funding is essential to the public interest and welfare of residents of Ewing; and;

WHEREAS, the Village of Ewing served by Great Plains Communications meets the requirements and needs established by the Nebraska Legislature and Nebraska Public Service Commission to qualify as an eligible community for the Capital Projects Fund grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications and its personnel have demonstrated they have the expertise and resources to construct and operate an all-fiber network in the timeframes required by the State, and to provide affordable and high-quality broadband and voice services to all citizens in the Great Plains Communications exchange for the Village of Ewing;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Ewing strongly supports Great Plains Communications application for a Capital Projects Fund grant administered by the Nebraska Public Service Commission and urges the application be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this resolution will be sent to the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

James Ramold, Chairman

2-13-2023 DATE