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ENTERPRISE ZONES FOR RURAL TECHNOLOGY

WHEREAS the State Legislature passed legislation regarding the Rural Technology Enterprise Zone program to provide state income tax credits for investment in telecommunications infrastructure in rural areas, and

WHEREAS the State Public Utilities Commission in implementing the legislation ruled that the whole state being defined as one single Enterprise Zone for the purposes of this legislation, and

WHEREAS this definition of one Zone for the State drastically reduced the potential incentive available for investing in telecommunications infrastructure in rural areas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CLUB 20 encourages the State of Colorado to reconsider the value and implementation of the Rural Technology Enterprise Zones as established by the Legislature and designed by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the State contemplate redefining broadband and re-assigning the responsibility and authority for implementation to a state agency more comfortable with oversight of incentives.

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