

**RESOLUTION NO. 67 OF 2021**

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY-BASED BROADBAND COMMITTEE OF THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCREASING BROADBAND ACCESS IN CADDO PARISH AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, one of the permissible uses of American Rescue Plan funds is to design broadband infrastructure to provide service to unserved or underserved households and businesses; and

WHEREAS, several units of local government have received American Rescue Plan funds and share a common interest in seeing that such broadband access is provided; and

WHEREAS, the units of local government working together would prevent duplication of services and facilitate creation of a broadband structure that can reach all parish residents and industry without exhausting the resources of any one local government unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does establish a Community Broadband Committee for the following purposes:

- a. Assessing the comprehensive broadband needs of Caddo Parish;
- b. Determining how those needs can best be addressed;
- c. Determining the contributions of each local government unit in addressing broadband needs;
- d. Composing a comprehensive plan to address broadband needs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Committee shall consist of up to 12 members, including two representatives of the following local government units:

- a. Caddo Parish Commission
- b. City of Shreveport
- c. Caddo Parish School Board

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Approved as to legal form:**

**Parish Attorney**

**Date**