

**CITY OF HAMBURG, MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2009-10**

***RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FIBER OPTIC FUNDING REQUEST
BY CARVER COUNTY THROUGH THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND
REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009***

WHEREAS, the American recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 appropriated \$7.2 billion and directed the Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service (RUS) and The Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) to expand broadband access to un-served and underserved communities across the U.S., increase jobs, spur investments in technology and infrastructure, and provide long-term economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, Carver County desires to build a fiber optic loop connecting county facilities, libraries, school district facilities, city buildings and other important local government buildings through a public/private partnership to provide service to residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hamburg will benefit by reducing operating expenses, improving connectivity and having an additional economic development asset in the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hamburg will benefit by allowing various facilities to connect via currently unfunded laterals to the fiber backbone providing for an interwoven network of high speed information sharing; and

WHEREAS, the residents and business owners in the City of Hamburg will benefit through this public/private partnership by having an opportunity to obtain a broadband connection and increase competition amongst telecommunication companies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Hamburg hereby supports the fiber optic funding request being made by Carver County through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

I CERTIFY THAT the above resolution was adopted by the City Council of Hamburg, Carver County, Minnesota this 28th day of July, 2009.

Richard Malz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeremy Gruenhagen, City Clerk/Treasurer