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ORDINANCE NUMBER <u>21-09-28-00</u>2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, State of Indiana:

Section 1.

WHEREAS, Kosciusko County Rural Electric Membership Corp. ("KREMC") has filed its Application to Designate an Infrastructure Development Zone with the Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, a hearing on said Application was set for September 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and notice of said hearing was published in the Warsaw *Times Union* as required by law, and

WHEREAS, IC 6-1.1-12.1-4 provides for the establishment of Infrastructure Development Zones to increase the availability of broadband internet service by exempting the equipment installed and utilized for such purpose from tax; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, Indiana, has jurisdiction to designate the area described in said application as an Infrastructure Development Zone pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1-5, and

WHEREAS, the time of said hearing has arrived and a hearing is conducted thereon; and The Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, Indiana now finds as follows:

- 1. Adequate broadband internet service is not available in the rural areas of Kosciusko County, Indiana;
- 2. Providing a property tax exemption to KREMC for investing in the installation of broadband internet equipment will provide opportunities for increased broadband internet service and economic development benefits to the rural areas of Kosciusko County, Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, Indiana that the real estate described as the unincorporated areas of Kosciusko County, Indiana is designated as an Infrastructure Development Zone for the purpose of increasing broadband services only, pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1-4 and KREMC is entitled to the benefits of such designation by exempting equipment installed and utilized for increasing the availability of broadband internet service to rural areas of Kosciusko County, Indiana.

Section 2.

That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

ORDAINED AND PASSED this 28th day of September, 2021.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY,

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Robert Conley

By:

Bradford L. Jackson

Ву________

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Attest:

Michelle Puckett

Kosciusko County Auditor

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security Number in this document, unless required by law. (Stephen R. Snyder)

Prepared by Stephen R. Snyder, Attorney at Law, #413-43