RESOLUTION NO. ____-2025 RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING THE MENDOCINO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION TO ALLOW THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL BROADBAND UTILITY TO PROVIDE INTERNET ACCESS TO EXISTING MENDOCINO COMMUNITY NETWORK CUSTOMERS RESIDING OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg and Mendocino Unified School District have agreed to the acquisition and transition of Mendocino Community Network (MCN) assets to the City of Fort Bragg's Municipal Broadband Utility; and

WHEREAS, the internet service provider, MCN has provided internet access to our rural community for over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, MCN customers residing outside city limits have voiced strong interest in maintaining internet connectivity; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that reliable internet access is a critical component of public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to ensuring all MCN customers are provided uninterrupted internet service through this transition, regardless of location; and

WHEREAS, based on all of the evidence presented, the City Council finds as follows;

- 1. Reliable internet access is now widely recognized as a critical component of health and safety infrastructure, particularly in rural and underserved areas.
- 2. The purpose of submitting an Outside Agency Service Agreement Application to the Mendocino Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) is to provide uninterrupted internet access to existing MCN customers outside city limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that no new infrastructure nor an intensification of services is proposed for existing MCN customers residing outside city-limits, thereby categorically exempting the proposed project from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 15301(b) Existing Facilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of Fort Bragg does hereby authorize the City Manager's submission of an application requesting Mendocino LAFCo to allow the City of Fort Bragg to assume the provision of internet access to existing MCN customers outside city limits and all necessary and supporting documents required.

The above and foregoing Resolution w	as introduced by Councilmember
, seconded by Councilmember	, and passed and adopted at a regular
meeting of the City Council of the City of Forby the following vote:	t Bragg held on the 23 rd day of June, 2025,
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ABSENT: ABSTAIN: RECUSED:	
	Jason Godeke, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Diana Paoli City Clerk	