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Jim Watson

STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 97TH DISTRICT

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Re: Grafton Technology's Illinois Gigabit Communities Challenge Project

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of Grafton Technologies, Inc.'s Illinois Gigabit Communities Challenge Grant Application to bring ultra high speed broadband service to the more remote areas of Illinois. If awarded this grant, Grafton Technologies, Inc. will extend opportunities for even more creativity from remotely located entrepreneurs that will yield employment where outside investment is difficult to attract. The expansion of ultra high speed bandwidth will also secure new employment opportunities at existing public/private institution such as our hospitals, libraries and schools.

Ultra high speed bandwidth is one of Jersey County's largest obstacles in attracting new business investment and is a key component in improving Jersey County's local economy.

I provide my full support and urge the selection committee to give consideration to funding the Grafton Technologies, Inc.'s Illinois Gigabit Communities Challenge project, which is so important to the future of Jersey County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Watson".

Jim Watson
State Representative
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Assistant Republican Leader