## CITY OF LEXINGTON COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-07**

## A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR MACTA EFFORTS TO MODERNIZE PUBLIC, EDUCATION, AND GOVERNMENT (PEG) PROGRAMMING/PUBLIC ACCESS FUNDING.

- **WHEREAS**, community television programming allows community members to stay connected and entertained through public, education, and government (PEG) programming;
- **WHEREAS**, public television programming includes local community and nonprofit submissions, City Council and board and commission meetings, and community events;
- **WHEREAS**, public television programming has primarily been funded through franchise fees which allow cable providers to utilize the public right-of-way for private use;
- **WHEREAS**, with the recent consumer trend of moving from traditional cable providers to digital/video streaming services, the funds available for public television programming has decreased:
- **WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Association of Community Telecommunications Administrators (MACTA) is a statewide organization of municipal and nonprofit staff that advocates for cities and their residents;
- **WHEREAS**, MACT A is launching a campaign to create legislative changes at the state and federal level that will respond to consumer changes and allow current practices to modernize in response to these shifts;
- WHERAS, MACTA is working with Minnesota cities to gain support for their legislative efforts;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA THAT:

The Lexington City Council offers their support to the Minnesota Associate of Community Telecommunications Administrators (MACTA) effort to modernize local access funding through legislative change.

Adopted by the Lexington City Council this 21s	t day of <u>March</u> 2024.	
	Gary Grote, Mayor	
Bill Petracek, City Administrator		