

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the Otoe Tribe and Hillary Communications

Date: July 23, 2025

Subject: Support for Hillary Communications' Application for BEAD Funding

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between the **Otoe Tribe**, represented by the Otoe Tribal Chairman, and **Hillary Communications**, a telecommunications provider, to outline mutual support and intent to collaborate regarding an application for Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program funding.

Purpose:

The purpose of this MOU is to acknowledge the Otoe Tribe's support for Hillary Communications' intent to apply for BEAD funding to expand broadband infrastructure within the Otoe Tribe's territory and to express the intent to partner in this initiative to enhance connectivity for the benefit of the Otoe community.

Acknowledgements and Agreements:

- 1. Support for BEAD Application:** The Otoe Tribe, through its Chairman, acknowledges and supports Hillary Communications' intention to apply for BEAD funding to deploy broadband infrastructure within the Otoe Tribe's territory.
- 2. Intent to Partner:** The Otoe Tribe expresses its intent to collaborate with Hillary Communications to facilitate the successful implementation of broadband projects funded through the BEAD Program, including providing necessary tribal approvals, consultation, and support as required.
- 3. Mutual Goals:** Both parties share a commitment to improving broadband access, affordability, and reliability for Otoe tribal members and residents within the territory, fostering economic development, education, and community connectivity.
- 4. Future Collaboration:** The parties agree to work in good faith to develop a formal partnership agreement, if necessary, to outline specific roles, responsibilities, and contributions related to the BEAD-funded projects.

Term:

This MOU shall remain in effect until the completion of the BEAD funding application process or until mutually terminated by both parties in writing.

Signatures:

By signing below, the Otoe Tribal Chairman and the authorized representative of Hillary Communications affirm their commitment to the terms of this MOU.

Otoe Tribe

Lester Harragarra

Lester Harragarra, OMDA Treasurer

Otoe Tribal Chairman

Date: ____ July 23, 2025 ____

Hillary Communications

Edward Hillary Sr.

Edward Hillary Sr.

Authorized Representative

Date: _____

This MOU is non-binding and serves as a statement of intent to collaborate. Any specific obligations or commitments will be detailed in subsequent agreements.