

October 31, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of support for Lake Charter Township's funding request to Berrien County for broadband coverage for all the residents of this township.

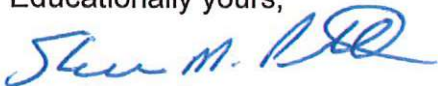
One of the many things that we learned throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, is how many households within our school district did not have adequate and/or no access to reliable internet coverage. As we come out of the pandemic and look to the future, the need for our students and families to have equitable internet has never been greater.

Fortunately, or unfortunately technology and the use of the internet is not going away (a conversation for another day). Our district stakeholders (students and families) have the need for internet services in a variety of aspects each and every day. From the Canvas Learning Management system to the Power School system, to students actively needing these services to complete homework, stay abreast on grades and assignments to conducting research for various class projects.

Finally, as the chief educator of the Bridgman Public School District, I highly support our residents of Lake Charter Township having an equitable opportunity for quality, reliable and consistent internet service in our community.

If I can provide any further information in support of Berrien County providing broadband coverage to all of Lake Charter Township residents, please let me know,

Educationally yours,



Shane M. Peters, Superintendent