CITY OF GUSTAVUS RESOLUTION CY18-24

A RESOLUTION TO ALIGN STANDARDS FOR BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICES

- **WHEREAS**, the importance of securing fast, affordable, and readily accessible broadband access to the Internet for achieving the vision of a sustainable community that fosters a vibrant, safe, and healthy place to live, learn, work, and recreate cannot be overstated;
- **WHEREAS**, there is much turbulence and disruption looming in the next few years of Internet provision services, with multiple entities vying for market leadership in supplying vastly faster and more affordable access;
- **WHEREAS**, the City wishes to employ several strategies to actively work toward enabling ready access for all citizens who may choose to fully participate in the online global exchange of goods, services, and ideas whether through public facilities, business environments, or private household access points.
- WHEREAS, The Federal Communications Commission Standard for Broadband Internet Service is presently set at 25 Mbps downlink / 3 Mbps uplink speeds although this benchmark is expected to significantly increase with the pending deployment of next generation technologies.
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Gustavus City Council adopt this resolution to pursue and adopt National Standards, as set by entities such as the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and others, for Communications Services in General and shall implement these options within its own facilities as soon as available and/or practicable.

PASSED and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this 13th day of August 2018.

Barbara Miranda, Mayor

Attest: Karen Platt, City Clerk