## Danby Town Board Resolution No. 92 of 2012 September 17, 2012

## OFFER TO PARTNER WITH SERVICE PROVIDER IN A BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Danby recognizes that the development of a Broadband infrastructure is critically important to our community, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State is offering grants to expand Broadband service to unserved and underserved communities and a considerable portion of the Town of Danby has been shown to be either unserved or under-served according to the criteria of the New York State grant program, and

**WHEREAS**, the qualifying criteria for a New York State grant includes the presence of a public-private partnership and strong support from the host locality, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State grant, if awarded, would provide eighty percent of the service installation cost, but requires a twenty percent contribution from the grant applicant, and

**WHEREAS**, Clarity Connect, Inc. has proposed a solution that will rapidly extend Broadband service to almost all of the unserved and underserved portions of the Town of Danby, and

**WHEREAS**, Clarity Connect, Inc. has demonstrated capability to successfully complete a community-wide Broadband service buildout, using similar technology, and

WHEREAS, Clarity Connect, Inc. has received grant funding for projects of this kind in the past, and

**WHEREAS**, Clarity Connect, Inc. intends to apply for funding from the New York State "Connect New York" grant program to expand Broadband service to unserved and underserved communities;

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Danby will offer to partner with Clarity Connect, Inc. in an application for a grant that will

provide the major portion of funds for a Broadband infrastructure in our community, and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Danby, as a part of its contribution to the project, will waive all fees related to the implementation of the project, and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Danby, as a part of its contribution to the project, will pursue all practical measures to expedite zoning, rights of way, and any other needs of the project, and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Danby, as a part of its contribution to the project, will bring electric service to each tower location, and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Danby, as a part of its contribution to the project, will continue its existing program of providing information to the public about Broadband Internet options, and will inform unserved and underserved residents about the availability of new service options.