

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO THE  
ROANOKE VALLEY BROADBAND AUTHORITY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority Board was established in 2013 by concurrent resolutions of the Board of Supervisors of Roanoke County, Virginia, the Board of Supervisors of Botetourt County, Virginia, the Council of the City of Roanoke, Virginia, and the Council of the City of Salem, Virginia, and its Articles of Incorporation pursuant to the provisions of the Virginia Wireless Services Authorities Act, Chapter 54.1, Title 15.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established its network footprint in the Roanoke Valley and now serves major education and research institutions in the Innovation District of the City of Roanoke and similar configurations in other valley localities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority continues to expand its network and serve the Roanoke Valley to support its mission and mandate; and

WHEREAS, the Authority continues to examine and evaluate new service areas and delivery methods to support the economic development and well-being of the region; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority has obtained approval for the addition of Members representing Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and Carilion Clinic; and

WHEREAS, the Board seat representing Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, having a term of four years (with the initial appointment being for two years), is to be appointed by the University Board of Visitors and subsequently approved by the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority; and

WHEREAS, the university's Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer role as CIO includes the facilitation of broadband infrastructure collaborations for regional research, education, and economic development objectives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Dr. Scott F. Midkiff, Virginia Tech's Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, be appointed to the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority Board to serve through December 12, 2022.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Visitors approve this resolution.

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