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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Applications of T-Mobile US, Inc. and Sprint Corporation, WT Docket No. 18-197

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is in support of the proposed T-Mobile/Sprint merger; I believe this merger will benefit many of my constituents, as well as businesses and consumers in Omaha and across Nebraska.

The merger will improve connectivity, increase competition and lower prices for Nebraska consumers. T-Mobile has made significant investment in infrastructure in Nebraska in recent years covering the state with 4GLTE. They recently began rolling out low band 600mhz spectrum allowing T-Mobile to reach further into rural areas and penetrate building walls and other hard to reach places. With this infrastructure in place, Nebraska will be positioned to benefit from the New T-Mobile's post-merger accelerated deployment of 5G.

The New T-Mobile, whose combined customer base will approach that of Verizon and AT&T, will trigger a competitive response from the nation's two largest wireless carriers. All three are expected to increase investment in infrastructure driving down the cost of data delivery, reducing costs to consumers and increasing wireless data supply. Lower costs and increased data supply are especially important attributes of the merger for fixed income consumers.

I support this merger because for consumers in Nebraska it will improve connectivity, increase competition, and lower prices. I encourage you to support this merger, too.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Vargas".

Tony Vargas,
District 7, State Senator
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