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TO: FCC

Subject: Comments in support of RM-11828 Tech Enhancement

Dear FCC,

I wanted to contact **you in support of the proposed ARRL Proposed petition RM-11828.**

The expansion of Technician Class license privileges has great opportunity for broadening the use, expansion, and impact of amateur radio in this county.

As a member of two county ARES/RACES organizations, I spend time being ready to assist in disaster situations, as well as support of community events. Restrictions in place today on my Technician license preclude my participation in HF emergency communications and preparation exercises. The importance of amateur radio emergency response operations over the past few years has been clearly demonstrated. Expansion of that capability to include Technician Class license holders is a critical component in enhanced readiness.

I urge quick review and acceptance of the proposal as a matter of national interest in humanitarian event response.

Thank you for your consideration.

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