June 7, 2019

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket 18-336  
Implementation of the National Suicide Hotline Improvement Act of 2018

Dear Commissioners:

I urge you to designate a 3-digit code as a Behavioral Health and Suicide Crisis Lifeline – and to reject the North American Numbering Council (NANC) recommendation that no such line should be established.

Frankly, I believe the NANC simply fails to appreciate the severity of the mental health and suicide crisis we are facing in the United States – and as such they elevated convenience and status quo over the desperate need for an easy to access crisis service -- a 911 for the brain.

I believe 3-digit access to behavioral health and suicide crisis intervention is an important opportunity to meet the growing crisis of behavioral health in the United States.

Thank you.

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