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Commissioner Carr:

I am writing to add my voice to the growing chorus of American small business owners that support our nation’s advancement to next-generation 5G mobile networks. It is with commonsense rulemaking and foresight by the FCC that we will ensure this successful evolution, which will allow small business owners across the United States to operate in a more innovative and economically competitive digital world.

Missouri is among America’s top states to start and manage a business. In particular, our small business community continues to grow at rapid pace because local lawmakers understand that small business success is dependent upon reasonable, forward-thinking policy frameworks that prioritize competition and innovation. A key to this includes access to faster, more advanced wireless.

I have been an entrepreneur for most of my life and experienced many lessons in creating and growing a successful small business operation. With that, I can attest firsthand to the invaluable role of wireless technology – especially has it has evolved over time.

Adequate access to strong, reliable service can be part of the difference between a business that thrives versus one that struggles to stay alive. As such, the FCC must do everything in its power to pursue a national regulatory framework that’s focused on streamlining the path to 5G. That means cutting through red tape and charting a path forward that puts all states in a better position to thrive in a next-generation wireless world.

Only by doing this can we truly ensure each and every American small business owner has access to critical tools that are needed to make their American dream come true.

I thank the Commission for its timely attention to this matter.

Kind Regards,

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