

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,

The Florida State Hispanic Chamber of Commerce actively works to promote the economic growth of and provides support for the more than 604,000 Hispanic-owned businesses across the state. We are a community of entrepreneurs and business owners who contribute more than \$90 billion to Florida's economy every year.

Of course, internet speed, reliability, and accessibility are important to our members. Digital infrastructure issues are increasingly top-of-mind concerns, and impact businesses large and small.

It is because these issues are so paramount to our members that we are closely watching the progress of the T-Mobile merger with Sprint. While the U.S. was out in front with the move to 4G, we appear to be falling behind other countries in striving to establish a national 5G network. We need to catch up, and this merger is our best opportunity to do so.

A 5G network would bring considerable economic opportunity to the state of Florida, including the businesses of our membership base. As noted above, most businesses these days rely on the internet in some way, whether through online ordering, banking and payroll, or the ability to accept mobile payments from customers. Beyond those uses, we have also witnessed the rapid growth in internet-enabled devices, which have the potential to dramatically change the ways we live and work. Improving our wireless infrastructure will create the conditions for entrepreneurs to invent and innovate, and allow existing businesses to run smarter and more efficiently.

The Hispanic business community contributes much to Florida's economy, and we anticipate the deployment of a 5G wireless network would be advantageous to our members, for Florida, and for the broader U.S. economy.

Sincerely,
Julio Fuentes



President/CEO