November 27, 2018

The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman  
The Honorable Michael O’Rielly, Commissioner

The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner  
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner   
Federal Communications Commission

455 12th Street, Southwest  
Washington, DC, 20544

*RE: MB Docket No 05-311 In the Matter of Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*

I am writing in support of the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance (“CAPA”) in the Second Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making. I oppose the tentative conclusions the FCC reaches in the proceeding because of their impacts on my community.

As a resident of the City of Peabody and member of the Peabody Education Foundation (PEF) Board of Directors, I have seen the impact Peabody Access Telecommunication (PAT) has had on our community. Besides providing coverage of local government meetings, local sports events and school productions, it has assisted our organization in promoting our programs and events which benefit the students of Peabody. They provide assistance, support and coverage of our annual Spelling Bee for middle school students. They offer training and internship programs for local high school students. Their employees are active volunteers in our community.

This benefit for community engagement was what was intended when Congress set up the Cable Act. PEG Access does not solely benefit a local government or franchising authority: It benefits and strengthens the community as a whole.

By allowing cable operators to reduce franchise fee support for local communities if they opt for local channels, the FNPRM diminishes the ability of PEG channels to serve communities such as mine. I ask that it not be adopted.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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