

Dec 5, 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Access and community television are vital to maintaining civic engagement in the City of Peabody. As a City Councillor, I frequently hear from constituents that they are aware of various matters because they watched a meeting or listened to a discussion on Peabody TV. Peabody TV carries many major events including concerts, parades, athletic events and more. This allows a much wider audience than would otherwise be possible which strengthens the fiber of the community. Peabody TV services all age groups with educational and entertaining content

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 Peabody. I ask that it not be adopted.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Peter M. McGinn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Peter" and last name "McGinn" clearly distinguishable.

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