

December 12, 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.

As a member of my own home town's Peabody Access Television (PAT), I have a priceless opportunity to access equipment I could never afford to buy due to my limited income after being disabled by a traumatic brain injury. As a result, PAT is my only chance to pursue my dreams.

While working at PAT I have met members of my high school's graduating class of 2019, 40 years after my own graduation, whom I otherwise would never have had an opportunity to meet. I have heard these wonderful young people talk about how much PAT means to them.

Through programs offered to middle and high school students by PAT, our youth have all had a chance to develop valuable high tech as well as social skills. For this generation, growing up on social media, I can't imagine anything better for them than to be given a chance to develop enough confidence to interview adults and learn about local government. To be given the opportunity to interact face to face in the local community while also acquiring technical skills which, in some cases, may even inspire future good paying careers.

This benefit for community engagement is 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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