

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 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

Dear Chairman Pai,

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 our community.

I and my family live in a area with multiple counties and many cities which consist of about 300,000 citizens which are quite active in civic and governmental affairs. Since I produced the very first show for Public Access Channel in 1982 , called "How to weatherize your Home" and won a first place in the United States JayCees Community programs for helping senior citizens. Thus I feel very close to local programming. Since 1982 I have produced over 1,000. Programs for public access, Education Access and Government Access. In all of this time our local governments have been extremely supportive and deeply involved with the lasting need for Public Access shows that we produce to enhance and highlight the many needs and the purpose which has been promulgated by our founders in government and our churches and families throughout our country. I was amazed to see that the likelihood that this programming would be curtailed or even stopped if this measure is adopted. We have worked tirelessly with our local governments both city, County and State governments to enlighten our citizens educators and churches as to the value of local solutions and resolutions societies growth and development environmentally and socially. We do this by providing shows on many germane topics in our studios and with professional staff and volunteers who become the leaders of tomorrow.

I have served as administrative assistant to Congressman John B. Breckinridge and his field Representative and Taught Advanced Government and History, in fact I took and taught the first unit on Black or African American History in a public school in 1969 & 70. I did a research study for the Council on Higher Education during the Presidential term of Jimmy Carter and I was appointed Deputy Secretary of Transportation and Commissioner of Motor vehicles for the Commonwealth of Kentucky and in 1992 was elected Superintendent of Education for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. While the clock of age

and the money it takes to run for office probably prohibits me from running for office I have and continue to be working for candidates both locally, State and Nationally, I have been intimately involved in the winning campaign of the first female Governor Martha Layne Collins and our first African American (Black) President Barack Obama. I also was intimately involved in the election of Donald Trump and Mike Pence team as President and Vice President of the United States of America. Without Public Access the little person's voice gets drowned out. Facts are I am the only person alive or dead for that matter, who has been to all 120 Counties in the state of Kentucky at least five times and filmed the History of each on location in front of their county courthouse.

I also donated a set of the tapes to every county library in the Commonwealth and showed all the tapes on Public and Educational Access. None of this would have been possible without our TBNK BOARD AND THE OTHER CABLE BOARDS. MY SANTA CLAUS EDUCATION SERIES AND SANTA CLAUS ENTERTAINMENT SERIES HAVE BEEN SHOWING FOR OVER THIRTY YEARS INCLUDING RIGHT NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS. MY MONTHLY SHOW CALLED "ARE YOU READY?" IS CURRENTLY SEEN IN ALL NINE COUNTIES OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY.

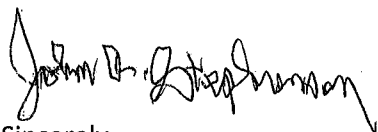
I SPENT MUCH OF THIS LAST YEAR SINGING FOR 14 CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE " MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME " TAUGHT TO ME BY HAPPY CHANDLER, WHEN I WAS PRESIDENT OF STUDENT BODY OF UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND WHICH IS NOW NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY. THROUGH ALL THIS I WAS NAMED OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN OF BOONE COUNTY JAYCEES TWICE AND OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN FOR KENTUCKY JAYCEES AND THE KENTUCKY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AWARD AS THE OUTSTANDING CITIZEN PROMOTING PUBLIC EDUCATION. I HAVE BEEN NAMED REALTOR EMERITUS OF AMERICA AND HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL, KENTUCKY AND NORTHERN KENTUCKY BOARD OF REALTORS FOR 47 YEARS. WHY? WHY DO ALL THIS? I LOVE GOD. I LOVE FAMILY AND MY WIFE MS. JUNE GEIMAN-STEPHENSON AND I LOVE PEOPLE AND I LOVE MY COUNTRY AND WORLD AND DONALD TRUMP AND MIKE PENCE AND TEAM MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. IN FACT I LOVE EVERY CHILD THAT GOD HAS MADE AND IT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT'S JOB TO CONVICT AND GOD'S JOB TO JUDGE AND MY JOB TO LOVE AND RESPECT ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN. PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNELS HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS AND THE PEOPLE AND WE HAVE DONE EVERY TYPE OF DECENT EDUCATION SHOW YOU COULD IMAGINE, INCLUDING EUROPE BY TRAIN AND FROM CANADA TO THE KEYS IN FLORIDA AND FROM MAINE TO SAN FRANCISCO AND ALL STATES IN BETWEEN ONTRAVELS WITH THE STEPHENSONS. OUR STAFF AND I HAVE GROWN UP WITH EACH OTHER AND I LOVE THEM ALL. THEY ARE TREMENDOUS ASSETS TO THE CITIZENS OF KENTUCKY AND IN PARTICULAR TO NORTHERN KENTUCKY. I MIGHT ADD THAT ALL OF THE STAFF AND PRODUCERS ARE A HUGE POSITIVE FORCE FOR THE CABLE COMPANIES AND THEIR CUSTOMERS I KNOW PERSONALLY MANY PEOPLE CHOOSE CABLE TO SEE LOCAL PROGRAMMING. IN SHORT OUR PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNELS SHOULD REMAIN AVAILABLE AND SUPPORTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT AND THE FCC. I CANNOT BELIEVE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS PROPOSED FCC RULE MAKING WOULD PASS WHICH WOULD OR COULD RESULT IN THE ELIMINATION OF OUR PEG CHANNELS FROM THE CABLE SYSTEMS WHICH WOULD PUT OUR SHOWS OFF THE AIR.

The TBNK PEG channels air a wide variety of local programming that is a true service to our community, and includes coverage of high school and college football and basketball games, swimming and diving and other sports, as well as many community events. The PEG channels also keep us connected with the activities of our local elected officials, by airing many government meetings each month, as well as

Northern Kentucky election forums and a Northern Kentucky focused Election Night results show. WE MUST RALLY THE CITIZENS, THE CHURCHES THE GOVERNMENTS AND THE SCHOOLS BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC. WE MUST STOP THIS EFFORT TO DISMANTLE OUR VOICE OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR PEG CHANNELS.

I have been around since the beginning legislation was passed. Promoting a diversity of views and information through local PEG programming was one of congress' specific stated intents of the 1984 Cable Act, and is consistent with our country's founding values of freedom of creative expression and free speech. The Act establishes a franchise negotiation process intended to serve local community needs and interests, and strengthen our local democratic process. The FCC's proposals frustrate and contradict the clear intent of the cable law, as written by our elected legislators and decades of cable franchising under that law. The FCC should not try to rewrite the laws passed by those in congress who were elected by "we the people" to represent us.

The FNPRM diminishes the ability of PEG channels to serve communities such as ours. I ask that it not be adopted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Stephenson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Alton Stephenson

Former Superintendent of Education for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Production of the very first show in 1982 on Storer Cable and currently producer of over 1000 one thousand shows for PEG FOR SPECTRUM AND CHARTER CABLE. AND TBNK KENTON COUNTY AND INDEPENDENCE KENTUCKY.

