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The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner
The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner

Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street, Southwest
Washington, DC, 20544

Dear Chairman Pai,

I write to support the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance ("CAPA") and to disapprove of the proposals and tentative conclusions set forth in the FCC's September 25 Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in 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, MB Docket 05- 311.

Community television has for decades enriched the lives of Americans, as well as helped to democratize media, and give voice to people who would otherwise be unable to access the necessary tools with which to create media and be heard. In a time when major media conglomerates have monopolies on what most people hear and see, now more than ever, it is imperative that well funded public access to media production and distribution is made available to any American citizen. Community access television is a vital forum for democracy, as well as education, and community outreach. Thus to remove funding for Community cable access is to actively attack our democracy, and our freedom of speech, as well as education, and the communities these local stations serve.

Please consider how taking away this platform from the American people denigrates and impoverishes us all.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Justin John Mattarocchia Copp

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Co founder Copp Creature Shop
Co owner Red's Rovers
Community member Somerville/Cambridge
Cable access stations CCTV and SCATV