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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Secretary Dorch:

I am writing to express appreciation for the role Comcast consistently plays in investing in our communities. I am an elected County Commissioner for Arapahoe County and I have seen the many different ways that Comcast provides valuable support to address community needs. It is because of Comcast's ongoing commitment to investing in and strengthening our community that I believe the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable is worthy of your consideration.

I have seen Comcast provide college scholarships to high school seniors from Aurora Public Schools, every year, for the last several years, to support their post-secondary educational plans, which has meant a great deal to our Aurora families. More than 70% of all students in our district qualify for the free or reduced school lunch program; and, with so many of our families living in poverty, paying for college can prove very difficult. Comcast's annual scholarship program has helped make college a reality for many of our young leaders.

Our entire County is also grateful for the many opportunities we have had to work in partnership with Comcast to make our families aware of the Internet Essentials program, which makes home Internet service affordable for low-income families. Comcast sponsors many different events, including back to school nights, and works closely with the Aurora Public Schools and Cherry Creek Public Schools districts in promoting and explaining the Internet Essentials program. In addition, Comcast works closely with the foundations of both school districts to make sure students eligible for Internet Essentials are aware of the program.

Our school communities have also benefited for many years from Comcast Cares Day projects, as the company has included Aurora Public Schools projects as part of this annual day of volunteer service. The Comcast Cares Day projects have served as a wonderful means of bringing together Comcast employees, their families, school district leaders, board of education members, students, teachers, and other members of the Aurora community to work on service projects that have greatly benefited our schools and the students they serve. I have seen these volunteers work hard to clean up school grounds, paint classrooms,

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install new landscaping for school playground areas, and more. We are grateful for this commitment and support, and delighted to know that another Aurora Public Schools project will be included in Comcast Cares Day next April.

As an Arapahoe County Commissioner, I truly appreciate the strong business relationship Comcast has with our local businesses and our County, including carrying the Aurora Channel 8, which broadcasts City Council meetings for public viewing and offers a variety of local-area programming and news for Aurora citizens. I believe Comcast's culture of investing in communities will continue as the company expands, thereby reaching more families in need through efforts such as Comcast's annual college scholarship program, Internet Essentials, Comcast Cares Day, and more. We are grateful for Comcast's commitment to strengthening all of Arapahoe County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill L. Holen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "n".

Bill L. Holen
Arapahoe County Commissioner (District 5)