September 29, 2015

Mr. Tom Wheeler  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As the Senate Majority Floor Leader, I am committed to improving the lives of constituents and believe there are many things the private sector can do to meet consumer needs and make individuals and businesses successful. I support the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks because it would provide quality broadband to consumers of all needs and means.

New Charter would work to engage with consumers in all parts of its national footprint. These include rural and urban communities. The needs of consumers are diverse, but New Charter would meet each through a variety of services. The company would provide customers with the fastest entry-level speed on the market at 60 Mbps. Despite its speed, the plan would be less expensive than comparable offerings in the current Time Warner Cable market; giving customers a better connection for less money. New Charter’s speeds would reach the ultra-fast 300 Mbps, allowing consumers the option to choose from a range of speeds. Additionally, the company will reach out to underserved consumers through a low-income program providing quality broadband at a reduced rate.

Charter Communications is a company that has brought job growth, especially in customer care, to both Missouri and throughout its service area. I am pleased that under the New Charter merger, customer care positions of Time Warner Cable currently overseas will return to the United States.

I ask you to consider the benefits of the New Charter plan and approve the merger.

Sincerely,

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