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December 16, 2015

Hon. Tom Wheeler  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Georgetown, Kentucky is a fast-growing community, home to Toyota's first American assembly plant, which now has added production of the popular Lexus ES. As Mayor, I have a responsibility to preserve the quaint, historic atmosphere of our community while also promoting business growth and infrastructural investment. I take this role incredibly seriously, and am always looking for business interests that would better my constituents. That's why I am particularly interested in the pending cable broadband merger between Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks.

The merged company, New Charter, would bring great value to the Georgetown community by offering fast, reliable broadband services at lower prices. They plan to offer base-level packages with speeds of 60 Mbps – which allows several people in the same household to stream on multiple devices at the same time – at a lower price than other companies' comparable offerings, with packages ranging from 60 to the highly-advanced 300 Mbps services. I am impressed with the proposed company's commitment to invest in the communities it serves, and their commitment to build out their cable infrastructure by adding one million line extensions into previously underserved areas. Their plan to increase competition in the mobile data market by deploying over 300,000 out-of-home Wi-Fi access points, a technology the residents of Georgetown would surely benefit from while on the go. I need these changes to improve our economic capacity and position.

Technology is a critical component of any modern community – connecting our residents, businesses and students to the rest of the world. New Charter is a forward-looking company that will deliver on their commitments to providing a great, affordable service while keeping the internet free and open for all. That's why I write today to urge you to vote to approve this merger.

Sincerely,



Tom Prather  
Mayor

