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

RE: Proceeding No. 15-149

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

On behalf of Charter Communication's proposed merger with Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks, WhizGirls Academy is requesting your full support of Proceeding No. 15-149. Our organization provides career awareness and technical skills including computer coding, entrepreneurship, and healthy balanced lifestyles to disadvantaged children residing in the West Coast. We have provided this support to over 2,700 children since the inception of our program in August 2013 through our sixteen programs located throughout Los Angeles and Ventura counties. These locations support eleven outreach programs to the underserved, those with language barriers, and those living in extreme poverty. Charter Cable has been a generous supporter of our organization since 2015. Their investment in us has made the critical difference in the success of our programs. Their commitment in serving the community is commendable. We fully support all efforts to expand Charter Communication's outreach for the following reasons:

- Merging will broaden access to broadband by building upon the broadband program for low-income consumers. Charter Communication will enrich Bright House Network's program by raising speeds and expanding eligibility while still offering a discounted price.
- Charter Communication will leverage the transaction to better their relationships with customers and as part of this effort, they will return Time Warner Cable call center jobs to the United States and will hire and train thousands of new employees for customer service call centers, field technician operations, and new technology.
- Charter Communications will recognize the vital importance of promoting diversity and inclusion strongly rooted in the communities it serves. New Charter will expand Time Warner Cable's commitment to diversity and inclusion in governance, employment practices, procurement, and community partnerships.

It is imperative that we as community leaders and advocates support the expansion of quality community partners such as Charter Communications.

Thank you so much for your consideration in advance.

Sincerely,  
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