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Acting Chairman Clyburn
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In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Clyburn:

On behalf of the Acadia Parish Public School Board, that serves 10,174 students enrolled in PreK - 12, I am writing to express strong support for the nomination of AASA Executive Director Daniel A. Domenech to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors. Further, our Board was pleased to support Dr. Domenech in his initial nomination in 2012, and our Board looks forward to his continued leadership with USAC.

On a personal basis, I recommend Daniel Domenech to you from a professional perspective having served with him on AASA committees at the regional and national levels. As a result of these committee experiences, I recommend Daniel Domenech to you as a person who is able to aggregate and disaggregate elements as well as to apply multiple cognitions to individual, national, and global subjects.

Additionally, as the professional organization for school system leaders, including superintendents and local education leaders, AASA stands firm in the support for Dr. Domenech as a nominee to the USAC board. AASA has long supported the important mission of the E-Rate program, and has worked with other education organizations and the commission to improve the E-Rate program since its inception.

Dr. Domenech's leadership at AASA—and AASA's proven track record as an excellent advocate for the E-Rate program—makes us confident that he will be a strong addition to the USAC Board.

With more than 40 years of experience in public education, Dr. Domenech has extensive education and leadership experience including first-hand experience of the critical role of telecommunications and connectivity in schools. Further, his direct link to public school systems provides a sense of continuity when it comes to representing school system-level thoughts and opinions.

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In today's increasingly global and competitive world, an excellent education and the building of lifelong learning skills require access to education technology, and Dr. Domenech is acutely aware of the crucial role the E-Rate program plays in helping schools and libraries afford telecommunications connectivity.

Beyond his years in the classroom, which include extensive teaching and leadership experience, Dr. Domenech has served on the U.S. Department of Education's National Assessment Governing Board, on the advisory board for the Department of Defense schools, and on the Board of Overseers for the Baldrige Award. He is currently chair for Communities in Schools of Virginia, the Learning First Alliance, the Educational Research Service and the Board of Visitors for the College of Education at the University of West Georgia. He serves on the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the National Student Clearinghouse, Americas Promise, the Center for Naval Analyses, and the Sea Research Foundation.

I believe that Dr. Domenech's broad understanding of education, technology, and educational leadership, coupled with a strong work ethic and deep commitment to expanding educational opportunities to the nation's students, will add to the work of USAC as it moves forward. His nomination to the USAC board provides continuity and leadership, allowing him to continue in a role he has held over the past year, representing the voice of students, teachers, school administrators, superintendents, and school board members.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your approval of Dr. Domenech's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors, representing schools that are eligible to receive E-Rate benefits.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



John E. Bourque
Superintendent
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