



August 22, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket Number 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

Communities should be defined by their hopes and strengths, not by their challenges or struggles. That's wisdom I've come to hold deeply throughout my career, first as a volunteer with Neighborhood Centers Inc. and now as Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer for the agency. It isn't easy to find corporations and business partners that respect the promise of all our communities, even the most challenged and underserved. Fortunately, we've found an earnest and committed partner in Comcast. I urge you to approve the proposed Comcast-Time Warner transaction which will empower communities across the country by giving them access to the best the 21st century has to offer.

Neighborhood Centers stretches across the greater Houston region and throughout 60 counties in the state of Texas. We have 70 centers that together serve more than 525,000 people every year. We are the largest traditional nonprofit in Houston and focus on four areas of impact: direct community aid and initiatives, educational access, public sector problem solving, and services for senior citizens. Throughout each of these areas, the Internet is a pivotal resource that can transform lives. Without access at home, residents are isolated from educational, employment and medical opportunities. There is a pronounced digital divide in our country separating our neediest families from the opportunities of the 21st century.

Comcast is working hand in hand with organizations like ours to bridge that gap. The company's Internet Essentials program connects low-income students and their families to quality Internet service and computer hardware. Our community center in Pasadena was designated as an Internet Essentials Learning Zone this year. It has been an incredible opportunity to play host to this program, where families can use our center to learn about and take advantage of Comcast's program. Our center is but one piece of a bigger program. Across the nation, this initiative has already brought more than 350,000 families into the digital age – a milestone Comcast announced just at the beginning of the month. Your approval of this transaction can extend that progress to many new families in other areas.

The company's commitment to our communities also takes the form of sustained, dynamic partnerships with organizations like Neighborhood Centers. The company invested almost \$5 million last year in organizations across the Lone Star State. Here in Houston, 17 young adults graduated from one of Comcast's innovative programs, the Digital Connectors initiative.

Students are trained in computer literacy and IT services from the best in the business. Comcast empowers these students to be independent digital advocates by teaching them how to best connect their neighbors and family to online opportunity. The nature of the program reflects Comcast's spirit of collaborative giving – residents are empowered rather than served. This investment in human capital can be expanded and furthered through approval of the proposed transaction.

Moreover, Comcast directly promotes our mission by offering PSAs to promote our financial literacy initiatives. The company has a dedication to community-sourced, diverse programming that extends their partnerships built through programs like Internet Essentials and Digital Connectors.

Neighborhood Centers and other organizations across the country are proud to call Comcast a true partner. I urge you to approve this transaction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ray Chung". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ray Chung
Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer