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August 15, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

*RE: MB Docket No. 14-57*

Dear Ms. Dortch

Due to Comcast's support and in-kind partnerships with both the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and our Club in Benton Harbor, Michigan, I write to support Comcast's transaction with Time Warner.

For more than a century, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America have helped put young people on the path to great futures. Our organization serves nearly four million young people annually, through membership and community outreach in some 4,000 Club facilities throughout the country and on U.S. military installations worldwide.

Comcast has been a committed community partner of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Benton Harbor. As the Chief Executive Officer, I have worked closely with Comcast and learned it is an organization we can rely on to support our programming initiatives. In 2013 Comcast sponsored a computer building program as part of our "Power Hour" program which helps members in grades 1 to 8 develop academic, behavioral, and social skills through homework completion, provide fun, grade specific high-yield learning activities, and academic tutoring assistance. One objective of Power Hour is to integrate technology into these activities to prepare young people for a technology-based work environment.

I would also like to emphasize my support of Comcast's Internet Essentials effort. The Internet Essentials program provides connection to the Internet

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at very affordable cost, subsidized computers, and offers Internet-literacy training to low-income families. Comcast has partnered with us to promote the program throughout the Benton Harbor community. I also commend Comcast for announcing that it will continue the Internet Essentials program for an indefinite period. That is a sustainable commitment to our members and their families which assures they have internet access that is essential to learning technology and attaining academic success. I understand about 17,000 families in Michigan are now connected to Internet at home.

I support the Comcast and Time Warner transaction because I am confident that Comcast will continue to enhance our local community, as well as continue to support and sponsor our youth development activities and programs specifically designed for young people to graduate from high school, build character and leadership, and encourage healthy lifestyles.

Respectfully,

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Brian W. Saxton  
Chief Executive Officer