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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I am the Executive Director of the Old Saybrook Chamber of Commerce in Connecticut, where I proudly oversee valuable programs and services for over 500 members and help advance economic vitality and quality of life in Old Saybrook and its surrounding communities. Our membership spans many different businesses, civic and non-profit organizations and individual members. Comcast plays a major role here by serving on committees and working directly with other businesses to improve local services. I am happy to have them as a trustworthy ally in our efforts to keep local business thriving. As a declaration of my support for their excellent work here in Connecticut, I urge the FCC to pass the proposed TWC/Comcast transaction.

Comcast has a long history of business success in Old Saybrook and across Connecticut. Comcast has over 2,300 full-time employees across the state. For our Chamber of Commerce, it is incredibly beneficial to have one of the largest Connecticut employers engage with us in so many ways. Comcast also is a key sponsor of our annual Business EXPO. The EXPO is one of the year's most advantageous events for our businesses - each October all of our members gather to promote business-to-business networking, showcase member products and services, and invite the community to visit each business's booth.

Last November, Comcast Business teamed up with one of our members Ashlawn Farm Coffee, a socially-conscious coffee bean roaster, to provide Comcast Business Internet and Business WiFi to its café in Old Saybrook. Ashlawn had long been looking for a way to keep its tech-savvy customers happy, and these excellent Comcast services proved a brilliant solution. Comcast invited the Chamber to join in a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new café to celebrate the grand opening and to announce the expansion of Xfinity WiFi at a number of hotspots across Connecticut. We received an amazing amount of positive feedback for this venture, and our other member businesses were encouraged to see such an excellent outcome for local business through our connections with Comcast.

I look forward to Comcast's ongoing commitment, care and business presence here in Old Saybrook and throughout Connecticut. I strongly hope that the proposed transaction with Time Warner Cable will become a reality and yield positive outcomes for other states and local communities as well.

Sincerely,

Judy Sullivan
Executive Director

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