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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-1302**

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**2021**

The Honorable Julius Genachowski  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Petition for Declaratory Ruling Regarding Public, Educational and Governmental  
("PEG") Access Channels, MB Docket No. 09-13, CSR-8126, (*ACM et al.*)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I respectfully urge the Commission to grant the above-mentioned petition to safeguard public, educational and governmental (PEG) access channels. Discrimination against PEG channels subject them to inferior quality and make them less accessible to viewers. I understand that these practices are unlawful.

PEG channels are important to local communities. In my own district, the Chicago Access Network Television (CAN TV) gives cable viewers access to content that would not otherwise be available on commercial stations. Such content includes HIV/AIDS education programs sponsored by the South Side Help Center, and youth services promotions from the South Side Educational Center for Youth. Practices that hamper PEG channels, also negatively affect these helpful programs that target viewers in the community.

Again, I ask that you consider granting the above-mentioned petition. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.  
Member of Congress

CC: The Honorable Michael Copps  
The Honorable Robert McDowell  
The Honorable Mignon Clyburn  
The Honorable Meredith Attwell Baker