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The Honorable Ajit Pai
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Chairman Pai:

I am writing regarding the Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making for Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992.

Public, educational, and governmental (PEG) channels play an important role in providing valuable local content to television viewers. Stations in my district in Massachusetts are concerned that the FCC's proposal will jeopardize their funding, thereby restricting their ability to broadcast emergency alerts, programming for children and students, and the proceedings of local government.

As the FCC proceeds with consideration of this proposal, I encourage you to prioritize the concerns of PEG channels and viewers from all across this country and to refrain from taking any action that would impair their ability to share and enjoy unique, local content.

Sincerely,



Joseph P. Kennedy, III
Member of Congress