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**Carr Applauds Julie Knapp on his 45 Years of Public Service**

WASHINGTON, DC November 27, 2019. FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr released the following statement on the announcement that Julius Knapp, Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology, will retire after more than 45 years in public service at the FCC:

“Julie is a national treasure. For more than 45 years, his work at the FCC has enabled countless new technologies to reach the market for the benefit of millions of Americans. Julie is without a doubt one of the most consequential public servants the federal government has known. His engineering expertise and even-keeled leadership enabled the U.S. to transition from no Gs to 5G and from old copper lines to next-generation Internet connections. Across every administration and through every technical and policy debate, Julie has been a trusted voice and honest broker. He is not someone the FCC can replace, but the mentorship he has provided to so many at the agency ensures that his legacy of professionalism and the FCC’s engineering expertise will endure. I wish Julie and his wife Debi all the best. Thank you Julie!”

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