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Chairman Ajit V. Pai Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554-0004

Dear Chairman Pai,

I am writing to express my support for the proposal submitted by Whitfield Regional Hospital to the Federal Communications Commission for the COVID-19 Telehealth Program.

Whitfield Regional Hospital is a rural non-profit hospital located in Demopolis. The hospital has been providing a wide range of healthcare services to the residents of west central Alabama since 1953. The funding sought by the hospital would support an initiative to develop a mobile telehealth platform to address comprehensive patient pulmonary health management and rehabilitation. This effort will decrease the demand on existing hospital and healthcare services, reduce the cost of care, and extend the reach of services to remote locations.

I hope you will agree that Whitfield Regional Hospital's proposal has merit and is worthy of funding. If I can answer any questions or provide additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Doug Jones

United States Senator

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