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**SAVE THE DATE: FCC WILL CELEBRATE THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CVAA**

*In recognition of the day, the FCC will host the Chairman’s Awards for Advancement in Accessibility (Chairman’s AAA) and a Discussion Panel to highlight milestones achieved under the 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act (CVAA)*

**Washington, D.C.** – The Federal Communications Commission will recognize the 10th anniversary of the CVAA and its importance in building a more accessible telecommunications world for people with disabilities with a public program on **October 8, 2020** beginning at 2:00 p.m. The event will be virtual and can be viewed online at [www.fcc.gov/live](http://www.fcc.gov/live).

During the event, winners of 2020 Chairman’s Awards for Advancement in Accessibility (Chairman’s AAA) will be recognized for their contributions to the advancement of accessible communications. In addition to the awards ceremony, the event will include a panel discussion on the CVAA’s major milestones and a look at the challenges that lie ahead. The Panel will feature the FCC’s: Diane Burstein, Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB); Suzy Rosen Singleton, Chief, CGB Disability Rights Office (DRO) and Will Schell, Attorney-Advisor, DRO; and the co-chairs of the Disability Advisory Committee, Isidore Niyongabo and Brian Scarpelli.

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (EDT)**

**Panel Discussion on CVAA Milestones**

**3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. (EDT)**

**Break**

**3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (EDT)**

**The Chairman’s Awards for Advancement in Accessibility (Chairman’s AAA)**

Registration is not required. To watch the event, visit [www.fcc.gov/live](http://www.fcc.gov/live) on October 8th. To ask questions during the panel session, please e-mail your questions to livequestions@fcc.gov.

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CVAA Milestones Panel

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Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Please send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), include a description of the accommodation you will need, and tell us how to contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible – last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

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