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**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER GEOFFREY STARKS
ON LEADERSHIP TRANSITION**

WASHINGTON, January 21, 2020—Today, President Biden announced that he has designated Jessica Rosenworcel acting Chairwoman of the Federal Communications Commission. In response, Commissioner Starks issued the following statement:

“Congratulations to my friend and colleague Jessica Rosenworcel on her designation as acting Chairwoman of the Federal Communications Commission. For many years, Jessica has been a passionate advocate for bringing the benefits of broadband to all Americans—particularly our children. Her designation comes at a critical juncture for the Commission, as COVID-19 has made bold action to end internet inequality more vital than ever. I look forward to working with her to close the digital divide and on the wide range of pressing issues facing the Commission.”

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