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**STATEMENT OF FCC COMMISSIONER GEOFFREY STARKS**

**ON PRESIDENT BIDEN’S COMPETITION EXECUTIVE ORDER**

WASHINGTON, July 9, 2021— This afternoon, President Biden signed an Executive Order on Promoting Competition in the American Economy. In response, FCC Commissioner Geoffrey Starks issued the following statement:

“Every American should have high-quality, affordable broadband. Today’s Executive Order spotlights the values that should drive our work toward that goal: affordability, fairness, competition, innovation, and consumer choice. The tens of millions of Americans without reliable internet access are counting on us—at the FCC and across the federal government—to fight for a more vibrant and inclusive broadband marketplace. I applaud President Biden’s sustained focus on these important issues.”

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