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FCC ANNOUNCES VIRTUAL CEREMONY TO HONOR AWARDEES OF THE 2021 FCC CHAIR'S AWARDS FOR ADVANCEMENT IN ACCESSIBILITY

Virtual awards ceremony will be held on December 1, 2021

The Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") will host a virtual event on December 1, 2021 to announce the honorees of the 2021 FCC Chair's Awards for Advancement in Accessibility ("FCC Chair's AAA"). FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel will welcome participants and provide a keynote address. The event will begin at 11:00 a.m. Eastern time on www.fcc.gov/live.

The FCC Chair's AAA was first introduced in 2010 at the FCC's celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Since the first awards ceremony in 2011, the FCC Chair's AAAs have recognized groundbreaking innovations in technology and practices that improve access for people with disabilities.

As a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic, telecommunications and remote access have become critically important to many aspects of our lives. The pandemic has also highlighted the vital role that telecommunications services and devices play in ensuring accessibility. This year, the FCC's Chair's AAA honors innovative practices, technologies, and organizations that have creatively leveraged communications and broadband technology during the pandemic, to break down accessibility barriers and ensure that people with disabilities are able to participate equally in our increasingly connected world.

The awards ceremony will be webcast with open captioning and ASL interpreting. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. 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. Send an e-mail to: FCC504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice).

For questions or inquiries about the FCC Chair's AAA ceremony, please contact Deandrea Wilson (202-418-0703), Chantal Virgile (202-418-0056) or call the ASL Consumer Support Line at 1-844-432-2275 via videophone. Inquiries may also be sent to FCCAAA@fcc.gov.