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## STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER GEOFFREY STARKS On the AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act of 2023

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 27, 2023—Federal Communications Commission Commissioner Geoffrey Starks offered the following statement on today's progress of legislation to ensure that AM radio continues to be available in all vehicles:

"AM radio plays a critical role in our public safety infrastructure. As <u>seven former</u> <u>heads of FEMA have explained</u>, AM's resiliency combined with the long distances AM signals propagate means 'the success of the National Public Warning System hinges on the use of AM radio.' I agree. Americans know in times of emergency that they can turn to AM radio. I applaud Congress for its bipartisan action to ensure the continued reception of AM signals in all vehicles."

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