

**STATEMENT OF  
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. McDOWELL**

***Re: Developing a Framework for Next Generation 911 Deployment, Notice of Inquiry; FCC-10-200, FCC Docket No. 10-255***

I am pleased to support this Notice of Inquiry. I look forward to gaining a better understanding of how best to meet consumer expectations through study of the gaps between today's antiquated 911 system and current advanced broadband capabilities. In particular, I would like to learn more about possible avenues for local public safety agencies to obtain funding for upgraded systems and technological education. While I understand that this is not within the Commission's purview, it is a critical component of the solution and thus must be a part of our discussion.

I thank the staff of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau for your work and creativity. I also want to acknowledge Brian Fontes and his team at NENA. You are an invaluable resource. We appreciate your counsel and expertise, and look forward to continuing to work with you.