



August 4, 2022

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002

Re: SUPPORT Adoption of the Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program and
“Your Home, Your Internet” Pilot Program [WC Docket No. 21-450]

Dear Commission Secretary Dortch:

The California Emerging Technology Fund and undersigned partners are united in the mission to close the Digital Divide. The solidarity of our partnerships is driven by the understanding that broadband accessibility and digital literacy is a 21st Century Civil Right. We would like to express appreciation to the Federal Communications Commission for the shared vision and opportunities to set sound policy towards Digital Equity.

The adoption of the Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program and “Your Home, Your Internet” Pilot Program will provide a lifeline to local municipalities and community organizations to carry out the collective civic duty to address poverty in their communities. Therefore, we are in full support of these prospective programs.

We appreciate your attention to these important matters and welcome the opportunity to further provide input.

Sincerely,

Sunne Wright McPeak
President and CEO
California Emerging Technology Fund

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Martha van Rooijen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Martha" being more prominent than the last name "van Rooijen".

Martha van Rooijen
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