



April 9, 2019

Robert McCoy  
Mayor

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo  
House of Representatives  
202 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Via Email: [asad.ramzanali@mail.house.gov](mailto:asad.ramzanali@mail.house.gov)

**RE: H.R. 530 – ACCELERATING BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT BY EMPOWERING LOCAL COMMUNITIES ACT OF 2019 – NOTICE OF SUPPORT**

Dear Representative Eshoo:

As a city leader and a constituent, I am writing on behalf of the City of Thousand Oaks to express our support for H.R. 530, the Accelerating Wireless Broadband Development by Empowering Local Communities Act of 2019. H.R. 530 repeals recent harmful FCC regulations limiting the ability of local governments to regulate the deployment of 5G wireless infrastructure.

Last year, the FCC adopted regulations limiting the authority of cities and states to regulate small cell sites (e.g., attachments to street light and utility poles) needed for the deployment of 5G. The FCC's regulations sharply limit the type and amount of fees cities and states may charge for profit-generating use of public property, set "shot clocks" as low as 60 days for cities and states to conduct all necessary inspections and authorize proposals, and drastically limit non-fee requirements cities and states may institute. The regulations began taking effect on January 14, 2019. Nearly 100 cities, towns, counties, utility companies, and local government associations are opposed to the FCC's regulations.

The FCC allowed industry to write these regulations without sufficient input from local leaders. This has led to regulations that restrict cities from requiring carriers to meet the needs of communities in which they want to operate. The FCC's order unnecessarily complicates existing agreements and negotiations between cities and wireless providers by imposing a one-size-fits-all preemption of existing state and local policies. The FCC's limits on fees for use of publicly-owned property by private companies is an extreme overreach by the federal government, forcing cities to subsidize development at the cost of other critical local services.

We all want to ensure efficient, safe, and appropriate deployment of new broadband technology. However, this sweeping regulation is not the best approach. The FCC must work together with local governments to find the best solution for effective 5G deployment that meets the diverse needs of our nation's many unique communities.

We thank you for your leadership with this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robert McCoy'.

Robert McCoy  
Mayor

c: Congresswoman Julia Brownley  
National League of Cities  
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The Honorable Robert McCoy, Mayor  
City of Thousand Oaks  
2100 Thousand Oaks Boulevard  
Thousand Oaks, California 91362

Dear Mayor McCoy,

Thank you for your April 9, 2019 letter supporting my legislation  
H.R. 530, the *Accelerating Broadband Development by  
Empowering Local Communities Act of 2019*.

Your endorsement of the bill advances our effort to preserve the  
abilities of local communities to have a say in 5G deployment. As  
former member of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors,  
I have a deep regard for local government, and I will continue to do  
everything I can to see that H.R. 530 becomes law.

Most gratefully,

Anna G. Eshoo  
Member of Congress