

The Honorable Chuck Schumer Senate Majority Leader 322 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Maria Cantwell Chairwoman, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation 512 Dirksen Senate Building Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Leader Schumer and Chair Cantwell,

On behalf of <u>Common Sense</u>, America's leading organization dedicated to helping kids and families thrive in a rapidly changing digital world, I am writing to urge you to bring up the nomination of Gigi B. Sohn to serve on the Federal Communications Commission for a vote as swiftly as possible.

As you know, the FCC has a tremendous amount of work before it, and leaving it less than fully operational limits its capacity, including to implement the historic infrastructure law and its provisions to address broadband affordability and access. The FCC's ability to administer this important Congressional directive — as well as its ability to promote affordability, competition, privacy, sound spectrum policy, and network resiliency along with other consumer protections using existing authorities — has been limited by the deadlocked FCC.

Ms. Sohn is enormously qualified to be an FCC Commissioner. She has more than 30 years of experience working on communications policy, and she has a demonstrated track-record of bringing together varied stakeholders in bipartisan coalitions to fight for equitable broadband policy, consumer protections, and competition. That experience makes her an invaluable asset at the FCC. Her priority has been to support kids and families by making modern communications networks available to everyone, regardless of their means or where they live. Her success is a testament to her willingness to work with industry and across the aisle.

I strongly encourage you to move as quickly as possible on Ms. Sohn's nomination.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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