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Laurence "Buzz" Schott Senior Director, Government Affairs, West Region Charter Communications 10450 Pacific Center CT San Diego, CA 92121

Dear Mr. Schott.

RE: Opposing Proposed PEG Station Channel Number Changes

It has been brought to our attention that Spectrum is considering changing and moving the Public, Educational and Governmental (PEG) programming station channel numbers throughout the State. This move is not in the best interest of the citizens of the County of Hawai'i nor the State.

Nā Leo TV, the PEG station that services Hawai'i Island, has done a great job for the past 24 years. Under new management over the past 3 years, Nā Leo ushered in an emphasis on branding that ensured community access television continues to be an important element in local programming. Their programming is an integral part to civic awareness within our island community.

The Hawai'i County Council broadcasts for local government, the State Legislature broadcasts for State government, relevant and hyper-local content for general programming, and a new "Civil Defense" channel to help in times of local disaster are just a few examples of why moving the channel numbers would be detrimental to our communities.

We respectfully request that Spectrum not move any of the PEG access channel numbers for the Island of Hawai'i (Nā Leo TV) and suggest that you also don't move any numbers for the other islands ('Ōlelo, Akakū, and Hō'ike).

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Should you need any further insights or have any questions regarding our support of keeping Channels, 53, 54, and 55 reserved for local community access on Hawai'i Island, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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c: Catherine P. Awakuni Colón, State of Hawai'i Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Director

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