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### **MMTC Congratulates the Biden Administration's Nominations of Hon. Jessica Rosenworcel, Gigi Sohn, and Alan Davidson**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (October 26, 2021):** The Biden administration announced its nominations of the Hon. Jessica Rosenworcel as the FCC Chair and Commissioner, Gigi Sohn as an FCC Commissioner, and Alan Davidson as the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and Administrator at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA). The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) salutes the Biden administration on nominating a great team of tech, media, and telecom leaders. We also offer our warm congratulations to the nominees. We look forward to working closely with all of these nominees over the coming months.

Since 2012, MMTC has been honored to work with Acting Chair Rosenworcel during her tenure at the FCC. Rosenworcel would make history as the first permanent female head of the FCC. "Working with Acting Chair Rosenworcel has given us an opportunity to work on common issues including bridging the digital divide, broadband access and availability, equity and inclusion, and bridging the 'homework gap,' her signature initiative," said MMTC President and CEO Robert E. Branson "We look forward to continuing to engage with Acting Chair Rosenworcel on the Emergency Broadband Program (EBB) to help people who are struggling to pay their broadband bills during the pandemic, and to support remote learning," said MMTC Chair and Treasurer Ronald Johnson.

The Biden administration's nomination of Gigi Sohn, a Distinguished Fellow at the Georgetown Law Institute for Technology Law & Policy, a Benton Senior Fellow & Public Advocate, and the host of the "Tech on the Rocks Podcast" as an FCC Commissioner is a positive move in the direction of affordable and accessible broadband. Sohn is a leading public advocate for open, affordable and democratic communications networks. During the Obama administration, she served as an FCC adviser. Having her as a Commissioner aligns with MMTC's broadband goals.

The Biden administration's nomination of Alan Davidson, Senior Advisor at the Mozilla Foundation, former Director of Public Policy for Google in the Americas, and former Associate Director of the Center for Democracy and Technology, as the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and NTIA Administrator, represents a significant investment in the growth of the digital economy.

MMTC also appreciates the leadership of Hon. Evelyn Remaley as the Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and Acting NTIA Administrator since January 2021. Under Remaley's leadership, she has strengthened the Minority Broadband Initiatives (MBI) that was launched in partnership with Historically Black Colleges and Universities to work on solving broadband deployment challenges in vulnerable communities in 2018. As a result, NTIA established the Office of Minority Broadband Initiatives (OMBI) to codify its work on the MBI in August 2021.

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