

Press Statement

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MMTC Supports the Nominations of Anna Gomez, Geoffrey Starks, and Brendan Carr to Serve on the Federal Communications Commission

WASHINGTON, DC (May 23, 2023): Seldom do members of the U.S. Senate have the opportunity to consider administrative agency nominees as qualified, fair-minded, and universally respected as Anna Gomez, Geoffrey Starks, and Brendan Carr.

Anna Gomez's many accomplishments include service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce at the National Telecommunications and Information Association (NTIA), as well as several postings at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) including, most recently, Chair of the FCC Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment.

In their initial terms at the FCC, Commissioners Geoffrey Starks and Brendan Carr demonstrated the highest levels of proficiency, expertise, and public service, particularly on issues relating to the digital divide and civil rights. Commissioner Carr has become one of the nation's leading experts on network resiliency, and Commissioner Starks provided essential leadership on the creation of the Affordable Connectivity Program's (ACP) federal housing outreach efforts.

MMTC President and CEO Robert Branson made the following statement:

MMTC enthusiastically applauds all three nominations. In addition to having extraordinary telecom law and policy backgrounds, Commissioners Starks and Carr and first-term nominee Gomez are universally well liked and deeply respected by their peers in media, telecom, and internet regulation. The FCC can accomplish so much more with a full Commission comprised of such highly respected and talented people.

All three nominees deserve to be confirmed expeditiously and unanimously.

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