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October 13, 2015

Chairman Tom Wheeler & Commissioners
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554

Re: KWBC, Navasota (TX)

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners,

My office has been contacted by constituents and elected officials in Navasota, Texas, troubled by the inability to pick up the radio signal of KWBC-AM within the city of Navasota following the shutdown of the local transmitter. I write today to inquire about what is needed for the Federal Communications Commission to grant a Special Temporary Authorization (STA) for Bryan Broadcasting to continue operating KWBC from their former transmitter site in Navasota, TX.

KWBC is currently operating under Program Test Authority pending completed action on a license to cover a facility modification and change to the city of license (BL-20150724AIP). This station is a vital part of the Navasota community. Navasota relies on KWBC and Bryan Broadcasting has two full time news people at KWBC to keep Navasota informed.

Navasota residents and businesses rely on KWBC-AM, "NavasotaNews1550" for daily local newscasts and high school sports. Navasota is home to over 7200 residents. Nearly two dozen industrial companies operate in Navasota and employ more than 1200 individuals. The Navasota Rattlers were the 2014 4-A Division I State Football Champions and in case you didn't know famed dancer Alvin Ailey and two Major League pitchers once called this Blues music capital of Texas home.

I respectfully request a reply as to what steps the FCC can take to help KWBC continue to provide the Navasota community the local broadcasts it counts on. I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kevin Brady
United States Representative
Eighth District Texas