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Kentucky Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard  
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Dear Kentucky Public Service Commissioners:

As the former school principal and Chief Academic Officer of Kenton County Schools, I understand just how critical access to reliable high speed broadband is for the students and families of our great Commonwealth. All Kentuckians need access to the Internet to learn online, work from home, and take advantage of economic and social services since the start of the coronavirus pandemic.

The PSC's current utility pole proceedings are an important step in ensuring broadband access to all Kentuckians. The PSC has the opportunity to reduce the barriers to broadband deployment by streamlining the currently complex and costly utility pole attachment guidelines and ensuring a fairer distribution of costs, which would connect more homes, businesses, and schools across Kentucky to the Internet.

I urge the PSC to take advantage of this opportunity to positively impact thousands of Kentuckians' lives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Banta".

Kim Banta  
State Representative

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