



June 12, 2026

Marlene H. Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, NE
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, MB Docket No. 22-459

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 10, Caroline Beasley, Chief Executive Officer, and the undersigned of Beasley Media Group met with Chairman Brendan Carr and Allison Howell of his staff, and separately with Alex Sanjenis, Acting Chief of the Media Bureau, to discuss the pending 2022 quadrennial ownership review of the local radio rules and other matters involving Beasley Media.

We stressed the urgent need to eliminate the local radio ownership caps, which have not changed since 1996 – before satellite radio, streaming music services, podcasts, social media, giant digital advertising platforms, smart devices, and automotive phone integration systems. Due to the complete transformation of the media and advertising markets in the past three decades, the limitations imposed on broadcast radio stations but not their competitors now harm rather than promote competition, diversity, and localism and should be repealed.¹

Obviously, broadcast radio does not exist in a siloed market with radio stations only competing against other radio stations. In today's extremely competitive marketplace, radio broadcasters lacking critical economies of scale cannot compete effectively for listeners and advertisers against larger audio and advertising market players. Beasley Media and other broadcasters have documented the shift of advertising dollars away from radio stations to digital platforms.² Radio broadcasters also cannot obtain the crucial investments necessary for their local stations to continue producing entertaining, informational, and lifesaving programming offered free to the American public. Continuing

¹ See Comments of Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC, MB Docket No. 22-459 (Dec. 17, 2025).

² See, e.g., Comments of Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC, GN Docket No. 25-133, at 9-10 (Apr. 11, 2025).

to starve the radio industry of the capital and scale it needs to survive will not serve the public interest.

We ask the Commission to finish the 2022 quadrennial review as quickly as possible and eliminate its local radio rules. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ _____

Chris Ornelas

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

cc: Chairman Brendan Carr, Allison Howell, Alex Sanjenis