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The Honorable Jackie Speier
2465 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support H.R. 530 - Legislation to restore local control of 5G deployment

Dear Congresswoman Speier:

On behalf of the City of South San Francisco, I wholeheartedly support H.R. 530 which would undo the FCC's decision to remove local government's control of the provisioning of the deployment by cellular providers.

While we recognize that 5G technology will play a role in future proofing our communication needs, municipalities need to protect and preserve the public right-of-way from unnecessary blight that comes with the increased density of 5G deployment.

Our City, and many of the 22 Cities within our County, have already been in discussions with cellular providers about existing 4G services and plans for future 5G deployment. It is important for municipalities to leverage their long-standing rules and codes; they should not be invalidated by additional red tape from the federal government. The decision by the FCC removes the City's ability to maintain a level quality of life that our residents deserve.

I applaud you for your efforts and leadership on this issue.

Respectfully,

Karyl Matsumoto
Mayor, South San Francisco