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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to make you aware of the high regard I have for the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund Program and with respect for appropriate criteria to be met, I convey my support for strong consideration of Comcast's application for a grant to expand broadband access upon Dauphin Island.

The lack of broadband access is a common complaint all across Alabama, especially the more rural areas. The grant program administered by ADECA is considered a key pathway in addressing a challenge which constitutes a barrier to young children accessing educational resources and to companies in need of access to broadband to conduct and grow business. Such a grant would allow Comcast to upgrade the plant in Dauphin Island to provide advanced services, including gigabit internet speeds, to all residents, businesses, and community anchors. This upgrade would provide the same network and capacity currently available in Mobile and Mobile County.

As a thorough review of the Comcast grant application is conducted and knowing the impact that improved broadband access would have on the rapidly growing community of Dauphin Island from an economic, tourism, education, and quality of life perspective, I convey my support for the grant should the appropriate criteria be met.

Respectfully,

Alan Baker

Alan Baker
State Representative