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NABOB CONGRATULATES INTERIM FCC CHAIRWOMAN MIGNON CLYBURN

NABOB is pleased to join the chorus of voices congratulating FCC Interim Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn. We also commend President Obama for the historic appointment of the first woman to chair the FCC. That the first woman chair is an African American is a double achievement for the President. Chairwoman Clyburn is extremely well qualified to lead the FCC, and NABOB looks forward to continuing to work with her in her new role.

NABOB also congratulates Tom Wheeler on being nominated by the President to become the permanent chair of the Commission. While NABOB had pressed the President to appoint a woman of color to the position of permanent chair, we look forward to working with Mr. Wheeler upon his confirmation by the Senate.

As NABOB noted in its efforts to have a woman of color appointed to the permanent chair, the next chair of the FCC must address a number of important issues, including: the continuing decline of minority ownership in the broadcasting industry, the lack of participation of minorities in the Commission's recent auctions and new technologies, the Commission's eighteen year failure to complete the studies required by the Supreme Court's *Adarand* decision as a prerequisite to reestablishing the Commission's minority ownership policies, and the threatened loss of service to minority communities posed by the planned Incentive Auctions.

NABOB looks forward to working with Chairwoman Clyburn on these issues during her tenure and with Mr. Wheeler upon his confirmation by the Senate.

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