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Chairman Ajit Pai
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street. SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Pai,

I am writing today to express concerns relayed to me by my constituents and local officials in my district regarding possible detrimental health effects caused by 5G small cells.

In my district and throughout Long Island, 5G small cell towers are being installed in residential neighborhoods in close proximity to houses, schools, and parks throughout the Fifth Senate District in New York. Many independent studies have shown negative health impacts on quality of health and they are requesting the technology be studied before further installation of these 5G small cell towers in their neighborhoods.

My constituents are concerned that until they can be sure that living in close proximity to cell antennas will not cause adverse health effects, we would like to see these "small cells" shut down and removed from our neighborhoods. We are also concerned with the long-term 24/7 exposure to 2G, 3G, and 4G that are currently in our neighborhoods. They are especially concerned with the more vulnerable populations such as children, fetus in the womb, and the immune compromised.

I am reiterating their requests for a study on the health impacts of 4G and 5G small cell towers and any potential association with cancer clusters. The health of our community is of the utmost concern and cannot be sacrificed. I encourage the Federal Communications Commission to expedite such a study, as this is a critically important issue for my constituents and our community, and provide my office with all relevant information used by the Federal Communications Commission to make 4G and 5G small cell tower safety determinations.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mario Ferone, in my office, at 516-922-1811 or ferone@nysenate.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James F. Gaughran".

Senator James F. Gaughran
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CC: Congressman Thomas Suozzi