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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-3303**

November 13, 2007

Mr. Glenn A. Britt  
President and CEO  
Time Warner Cable  
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Dear Mr. Britt:

Sports are an integral part of North Carolina's culture, and we are proud of our state's long sports tradition. Fans in the state understandably expect to be able to watch their local college teams play on television. In a state with as long and distinguished a sports history as North Carolina, there is simply no replacement for regional sports on television.

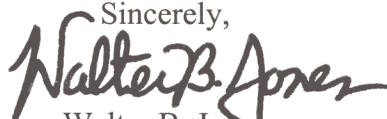
Twelve North Carolina colleges and universities – including East Carolina University - are competing in football, men's basketball, men's lacrosse, women's basketball, baseball, lacrosse and wrestling on the Mid-Atlantic Sports Network (MASN). These institutions have worked hard to reach agreements for televising their games, many of which are available directly or indirectly as a result of agreements with MASN. East Carolina University has already reached multi-year deals with MASN.

As a regionally-based network, MASN provides valuable exposure not only to our state's nationally-known NCAA programs, but also to our smaller colleges, which is every bit as important to their supporters. This exposure -- to alumni, fans and potential recruits -- is invaluable to our schools and to our state. Without MASN our North Carolina colleges and universities would not have the opportunity to reach the enormous television audience of over 15 million viewers that MASN currently serves in a seven-state territory.

I was disappointed to learn that Time Warner has chosen not to carry these college games on MASN as part of its basic cable package. I am concerned that my constituents are unable to watch many of their favorite college games on Time Warner's system. I strongly encourage you to reach an agreement with MASN as soon as possible and begin televising on basic cable the "must have" local sports of this regional sports network.

Your agreement to do so will not only allow this important programming to reach the widest audience possible within North Carolina but will also allow our state's colleges and universities to reach the largest possible audience throughout the region as they market and advance their academic and athletic achievements and, in the process, the goodwill of the state of North Carolina.

Sincerely,



Walter B. Jones  
Member of Congress

*Thank you!*