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Good Afternoon, Mr. Roberts.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket Number 20190196 and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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Greetings, Members of the PSC. Regarding Docket 21090196-TP, may I express my opposition to the proposed staff recommendation for an overlay area code in Hillsborough County.

Although I respect the PSC process of recent opportunities for public comment, I think these extraordinary times have precluded those affected by this proposed change from commenting. I have seen nothing about this matter at any civic or governmental function, all of whom are focused on avoiding the virus. As a commercial Realtor in the Tampa Bay area and a long-time resident of Hillsborough County, I would much prefer a geographic area be "carved out" for a new area code. Without having taken the time for extensive research, I suggest you study a new area code in Hillsborough County for all territory East of US Highway 301 from Manatee County to Pasco County. My experience, and position as chair of the MPO Citizens Committee, convince me that this is the area of greatest growth in the County and an area well suited for separate Area Code.

As a practical matter, this proposed change deserves significantly greater community input. Therefore, I respectfully ask you to deny the staff recommendation for now and defer an action while you afford more community input.

Thank you. Bill

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