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The Honorable Cory Gardner
United States Senate
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Washington, D.C. 20510

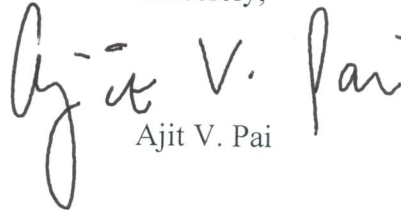
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Sincerely,


Ajit V. Pai



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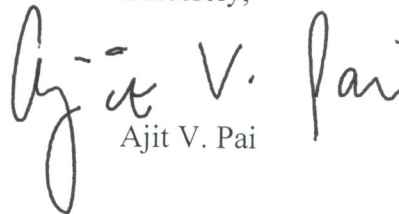
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Ajit V. Pai