

June 5, 2019

Mr. Bob Iger Chairman and CEO of The Walt Disney Company 500 S Buena Vista Street Burbank CA 91521-0001

Dear Mr. Iger,

We applaud Disney's recent condemnation of new legislation enacted in Georgia and other states to severely curb women's reproductive rights. We wholeheartedly agree with and support your position, and know that this calls into question the viability of doing business in these states.

We urge you to consider Connecticut.

Disney has a long-standing relationship with Connecticut, producing two seasons of Who Wants to Be a Millionaire here as well as the feature films Old Dogs, College Road Trip, and Confessions of a Shopaholic. And, of course, we are the home of the world headquarters of ESPN.

The State of Connecticut has a wealth of competitive advantages for a company such as Disney:

- A highly-skilled workforce, top-ranked in productivity
- Excellent K-12 school systems and world-renowned colleges/universities
- Superior quality of life
- Strategic location between New York and Boston, providing access to key media markets and resources
- Third best state for working mothers and the fourth most innovative economy in the nation

The film, television and digital media sector has been specifically targeted for growth and we are proud of the successes we have seen over the past 15 years:

- The recruitment of Blue Sky Studios, NBCUniversal (sports group and syndicated television), CBS Sports HQ, and ITVAmerica
- Expansions of our major homegrown industry players; ESPN, WWE and A&E
- Creation of over 2,000 new industry jobs to date
- Development of an industry training program in conjunction with employers, state colleges and universities to provide graduates endowed with specific skillsets
- \$843 million in tax credits issued spurring over \$2.8 billion of expenditures in state

We would love the opportunity to discuss how we may further the already fruitful relationship between Disney and Connecticut.

Please contact George Norfleet, an industry veteran and director of our Office of Film Television and Digital Media, at 860.500.2388 or George.Norfleet@ct.gov. He can answer any questions you may have.

We look forward to hearing from you and exploring new partnerships in the near future.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont, Governor State of Connecticut

Susan Bysiewicz, Lt. Governor

State of Connecticut

cc: Maryann Hughes, Walt Disney Company