I strongly oppose Chairman Pai’s move to reverse Net Neutrality. Net Neutrality to me means that I am able to access all information on the World Wide Web without discrimination concerning speeds and certain sites being blocked due to ISP preference. I am from a small town and where I live I have the option of 2 broadband providers. Due to this you are locked in to using one ISP or the other. Even if I did want to switch, there are all sorts of activating fees and equipment that I would have to purchase to switch and the new company would not be in any rush to come set this up to the fact that I only have 2 options so there is no significant market for competition. This effectively means that you have very little to no choice in what service you use.   
  
  
I am an undergraduate researcher at a local university and if these companies could block certain sites, this could limit the access that I and other researchers have to getting information about protocols and other scientists experiments from around the world. Disrupting this supply of information would be very detrimental to the progress that we, humanity, are making towards the future. Already America is falling behind other countries like China in math and science, why would we want to put more obstacles in the way? The internet is a platform that connects people across the world and allows all of us to communicate and work with each other towards a common goal. It is imperative for future generations that it says open for everybody's ideas to be shared, no matter what country you are in. I would argue that the Internet is the most important technological achievement in human history as it allows somebody in Europe to Skype with their loved ones back in the United States. What other technology comes even close to allowing this level of connectedness? As such an important piece of humanity, it needs to be protected from people who wish to abuse their power and positions to take advantage of the common people that depend on this service for their daily lives. These people were elected by the people, for the people, but it seems like they have lost sight of the constituents in their districts whose livelihoods would be affected by this decision.   
  
  
I believe the FCC must be able to oversee the ISPs because they (the ISPs) are only motivated by their bottom lines. They are purely motivated by money and will do everything in their power to squeeze every last penny out of their consumers. The people need an advocate on their side that is able to protect our rights as citizens and consumers of services and that is why the FCC was created in the first place. The internet is a utility, just like water or electricity and as we enter an age where there are things like smart tvs, smart refrigerators, toasters, etc. it will keep becoming a bigger and bigger part of our everyday lives. The internet is something that in order to have any sort of job and to be a functional part of society, we all need equal access to. It is an essential piece of the infrastructure that this country runs on and the decision to monetize this could ruin the internet as we know it. The internet is meant to be a place where people can access and share their ideas with whoever in ready to listen and as such has been an amazing platform for furthering society. This is one of the greatest developments of our lifetimes and for the lives of the people coming after us, as such it must be protected.