



To Whom It May Concern,

Earlier this year, Mozilla asked internet users to record voicemails stating their position on the FCC's proposed "Restoring Internet Freedom" rules. Below are the transcripts of 325 voicemails from internet users across the country addressing many of the themes that have been brought up in the initial commenting phase, so we are adding them to the record. These statements reflect the opinions of individual internet users and not those of Mozilla.

Best,

Heather West  
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Chairman Pai, this is Diane Smith. I live in Centennial, Colorado. Net Neutrality is very important to me, and I urge you not to get rid of it and let the corporations run it, but to leave the internet open, free and equal for all users. It is fundamental for free speech and without it big companies could censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. I would call it the First Amendment of the internet. Also, it is fundamental to quality education. Without it IFPs could block resources that compete with their own offerings, letting them choose the sources I could use for research and perhaps based on who is willing or able to pay more. Again, I think net neutrality is extremely important and urge you to support it so that the internet is free and access is equal for all. Thank you.

Hello Chairman Pai. I believe your proposal to weaken existing net neutrality rules, especially under Title II is unacceptable. It would weaken competition, stifle innovation, undermine user choice and threaten free speech online. American consumers don't want this. We prefer net neutrality and regulation of internet service providers. Thank you.

Net neutrality is a fundamental to free speech. Without net neutrality big companies could censor your voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the internet. This is Jim Gardner, Hondo, Texas, phone number is 830-741-2463. Thank you. Bye.

Try not to sell the interests of American people to the lobbyists.

Net neutrality is extremely important. Without it the poor will be abused and not have access. Big corporations will choose what they want to present and what they don't and free speech will not exist anymore. Help us protect net neutrality. Thank you for your time.

Hi. I'm an active duty military member with 19 years of service, and I believe it is super important for America and our values that people don't tell me what is right and what is wrong to watch on my computer or to stream across my TV or my phone. If I pay for an internet service provider, I don't need them throttling me back or giving preference to different websites, religions or beliefs. It is part of the First Amendment that we maintain net neutrality. It is important to innovation. It is important to our personal freedoms, and it is basically at the heart of all American values. Please do not overturn net neutrality because the only thing that is going to win is going to be businesses, not American citizens, such as myself. Thank you for your time.

I believe net neutrality is important because there should be no winners or losers in such a fundamental means of communication. The playing field for everyone should be level. People in industry and government, commerce and the public. Thank you.

Mr. Chairman, I am a 17-year-old software developer about to go off to college to study computer science. The decision by the FCC about net neutrality will impact how my industry will be affected for the rest of my life. Please support net neutrality. Thank you.

Hello chairman. I am in California. Net neutrality is very important to me. I think the free speech of the internet is important. I think it is fundamental we need innovation. That means that everyone should have a voice, not just the big guys, and I don't want to be blocked because I play too many games online or because I do too much work on the internet, which I do every day. It is important to me, it is important to my neighbors and it's important to my co-workers that we all have net neutrality. Thank you.

As a programmer, citizen and user of the internet, the world needs open networks. The internet is an amazing place and it won't be that way if corporate interests take over. Thank you.

Uphold net neutrality.

Hello. My name is Troy Albright. I would like to speak out in favor of net neutrality. First of all, I think it is extremely important because I believe it allows for free speech on the internet. Second, I think if we want to be serious about this, and if we want to look at the supporters on each side of the issue, I think it is very important to note that in favor of net neutrality we have organizations like Wikipedia and Mozilla, and in favor of getting rid of net neutrality we have organizations like Comcast, Verizon, AT&T, Cox and Time Warner. I think it is very fair to say that everybody in the United States realizes that the corporations that want net neutrality gone are likely to receive financial benefits if it is diminished. Please consider that and thank you for listening to my message. Bye.

I am very interested and for net neutrality. I think that it is both saddening and outrageous that our government would be proposing any kind of rules to the contrary, and allowing any kind of fast lanes to open up for the internet. It's one of the greatest resources to all of mankind, especially for open access to information, whether that be through visual media, videos or audio, or just written text, and I would discourage Chairman Pai from continuing with any talk of opening of fast lanes or getting rid of any net neutrality rules for the internet. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I am calling to urge you not to change the net neutrality rules. I saw you being interviewed and I have to tell you I couldn't disagree with you more, so please don't do what you're planning. If you are successful, the name "Pai" will live in infamy, along with the date 12-7-41, and you don't want that. Do the right thing — keep net neutrality.

Net neutrality is important because it serves as the foundation for a free and open internet. That's how we are able to research, contribute to open source software and further the development of the internet as a whole, and the more we develop the internet, the more we develop our society,

and if you want to allow corporations to control the flow of that, you're basically giving [inaudible].

Chairman Pai, as a software engineer, net neutrality is really important to me because it's what allows people access to the content that I create, and I'm really concerned that you would reclassify ISPs or to end net neutrality. I think it is just bonkers, and it's ridiculous. It's like trying to revert back to AT&T era monopolies, and it's just ridiculous. Please, please don't do this. Please don't screw things up for everyone. You're on some weird crusade, and it's just not the right thing to do. Please don't do it, man. Thanks.

Chairman Pai, my name is Richard Applebaum, and net neutrality is extremely important to me. I am an IT (information technology) consultant and support person that works at a small robotics company. I also do freelance consulting, and my customers — both work and consulting business — both of my jobs, let alone the unofficial work that I do as a volunteer for an Apple user group in Sacramento, California that has 600 members, all of our users would be negatively impacted with the net neutrality issue. We need access to continue much in the same way it has been. In fact, increased access and increased ability to continue to do things the way we've been doing with better pricing and structuring, and more competitive pricing and structuring on the cost of internet access would be important. In addition to that, there are areas in our community that still have what I would call very limited internet access — speeds as high as 10 megabit is all that are achievable for them. Today's standards call for speeds that are 25 megabits to 200 megabits. A 5 megabit or a 10 megabit connection, which is what some businesses are able to get in not rural communities — these are cities like Woodland, California has many areas that can only get 8 to 10 megabits of connection unless they want to spend exorbitant amounts of money. Your attention on this would be greatly appreciated. Please do not do anything that is going to negatively impact the average, the typical, the regular, the normal user in their ability to enjoy at a reasonable price without throttling the internet. Thank you.

Hi. This is Rosalie Chen, and I'm from the Chicago area. I'm calling to talk about the importance of net neutrality. We need net neutrality because it is important to have free speech and also having net neutrality helps prevent a decrease of access to [inaudible]. Thank you so much.

Hello. My name is Zachery, and I'm calling to express my support for net neutrality and dislike anything that would limit my or anyone else's ability to publish something on the internet due to internet speed connectivity, and in general I'm just expressing my opposition to internet service providers having as much power as they do with private information and with this particular issue. Thanks.

Net neutrality is very important to me. Please don't take it away. It's important for education, for the consumer — we'll end up paying more for faster service. There are many reasons. It's another bad deal for the consumer. Don't do it, please.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is important to me because knowledge is a public good, and if we have different speeds on the internet we take away knowledge of others. As a teacher I'm extremely concerned about this and I want my students, who are from all over the world, to have equal access to knowledge. Thank you.

For a market to be free, it has to be fair, and bandwidth is the capital of the internet. We can divvy up the internet this way, but we'll just end up with a balkanized internet that looks like cable television. Here's the thing, you can easily count the money that will be made by killing the goose that lays the golden eggs, but you'll never know how many golden eggs it could have laid. If we slice up the internet now like this we're going to end up with something boring and predictable. If we let the internet be a free market of creativity, we'll never be able to predict the amount of good that can come out of it, and that's exactly what we need.

Hi. This is a message for Chairman Pai. I want to talk about net neutrality and why it's important for me. I view net neutrality as fundamental to free speech. I view the internet as fundamental to our ability to communicate effectively and openly with one another in this day and age. Without it, big companies can censor people's voices and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the internet, and I think it needs to be fully defended, and I'm going to fight to make sure it gets defended, and I hope you do as well. Thank you very much, and have a good day. My name is Matt Johnson. I live in Seattle, Washington. My phone number is 206-892-8502.

Net neutrality is fundamental to free speech. It also levels the playing field so that I can advertise with the same veracity as the big companies, or at least get the same results. You need to protect it.

My name is Ann, and I'm an independent filmmaker. I'm also a professor. Net neutrality is critically important for the fundamentals freedom of speech. It is not okay for private businesses to own the internet, to control the internet or to in any way block our ability as individuals to have internet neutrality. Thank you.

Hello. Net neutrality matters to a free society. Protect it. Good bye.

Hi. My name is Beverly Baker. I'm in Boulder, Colorado. I'm calling just on the basis of fairness. In a democratic society I think everyone — including me — should be able to have equal access to the information and opportunities the internet provides, and that preference for some parties over others is undemocratic. I use the internet quite a bit, and I just don't feel I should be discriminated against in any way, so that is why I'm calling. I think it's not fair that some providers or some internet users have preference over others. Thank you.

Good afternoon Chairman Pai. I just want to say that net neutrality is extremely important to me. I won't go into all the reasons. Thank you.

Hey. If it's true net neutrality, I'm all for it. I'm all for less government intrusion, as long as they're not playing games with the words. We need to maintain the internet free like it has been, not like it's maybe changed to. Anyway, work to keep it free. I don't care what you call it — neutrality, non-neutrality.

I have enough problems already with companies not listening. Why would I want to give them the right to keep me from using free speech to talk about what it is that goes on in this country? As it is, I get censored for what I say about people, places, things — that's not right. I have a right to my opinion and I don't think that them being able to hold me back is part of what needs to be done. I feel also that the biggest problem we have is the internet is not available to a lot of people. I run into this problem also, and so many companies now sit down and say, "Oh, well, you need to get on the web." Well, I'm sorry, but not everybody has the web at home. Sometimes it's a 20 or 30 mile drive just to get to a place where you can get on the web. I really wish that people would stop being so greedy in this country, to the point that they destroy us all and everything we stand for, because all I see now is doors being closed, things being shut down more and more every day. It's pretty bad when I have a problem with a company and I can't even find a phone number with somebody to talk to. You can't even do that now, and I'm having that issue now. I think that it's time for change, and I don't mean what Obama did, and I don't mean what Trump's doing. When are people going to wake up?

Hi. Net neutrality is important to me because as an internet user I don't want anybody else deciding for me what is more important internet traffic, and what is less important. I want to be able to visit the websites I need to visit, purchase the things I need to purchase, interact with the people I want to talk to and not have some big company tell me that my traffic is less important than others who pay large amounts of money or are sending big commercial packets of information. Thanks.

Hi. I think net neutrality is very important to me because I don't want any ISP to control my members so a user cannot or can use my service. Bye-bye.

Hello. My name is Damon Berry. I work for Cisco. Myself and pretty much every technologist I know believe that net neutrality is crucial for the continuation of the internet. Please, please do not gut net neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, my name is Bill Schelinski. I live in St. Louis, Missouri. I am surprised and not surprised that once again net neutrality is under fire. I am a supporter of net neutrality. I believe that it protects our free speech. We have enough going on with monitoring of all communications of United States citizens through every device imaginable, and I don't appreciate that the government is once again going to get involved in net neutrality. I don't understand how rules are

made and then rules are changed from one administration to another administration, from one chairman to another chairman. I don't believe that this should be allowed, and I want net neutrality protected as it stands. I did not want ISPs blocked for teachers or students. I don't want anybody to be worried about what website they're accessing. Chairman Pai, I need your support to leave American citizens to use the internet as it was intended, and not as a spying device for the United States government or any other governmental agency in this world, because we all know that it is a global internet, so please back off of it. I would appreciate that. Thank you.

Net neutrality is fundamental to our free speech. Without it, companies could censor voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality is the First Amendment to the internet. As far as net neutrality is fundamental to the internet, it is also essential for teachers and students and fundamental to quality education. ISPs could block resources that compete with their own offerings, letting them choose the sources you can use for research, perhaps based on who is willing or able to pay an extra fee.

Hey Chairman Pai, this is John Brenneman from Illinois, out in the DeKalb area. I just wanted to say that I am in support of net neutrality and I really think it is a member of something that we all should have and all have the right to. I take the toll lane out of Chicago every week and I ride with trucks, cars, busses, children and adults, and we all go through and we all pay for what we use. We're all on the same highway. They use a little bit more of the highway so they're charged a bit more because of their weight, but it's not that they're getting a better road than me. We all have exactly the same road, and all that money goes into building a much road. I'm not sure why the internet is any different than that and why people who do a commodity service, such as AT&T, Verizon and Comcast, are any different than the Illinois Toll Authority. Their job is to put the veins, put the arteries out there, and let the blood flow, let the traffic flow, let the data flow. If they need more money because they do it, then that's what they do with ... they come back to the commissions and they come back to you guys and they plead their case, and if that's the case and it needs to be, then we should give them more money through higher rates across the board, but at an even level, not at a super speed level, and a slow speed level, or anything like that. Anyway, I really would appreciate it if you guys don't mess with net neutrality and that you keep things honest and fair for everybody. Thanks again. It's John Brenneman from Illinois. Take care. Bye.

I support real net neutrality. Keep the Title II classification. Net neutrality is fundamental to competition. Net neutrality is fundamental to innovation. Net neutrality is fundamental to user choice. I want that choice.

Hello. I strongly support net neutrality laws and it is very important to me that the open internet rules over the FCC be upheld. I don't think ISPs should be able to charge different amounts to different providers for fast lanes versus slow lanes. The internet nowadays is more like an electrical utility than anything else, and there should not be favored providers on that utility. Thank you.

I'm all in favor of net neutrality. It's a figure of speech — free speech — which is what we need in our country. I think you should keep it and the government should stay out of it.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is extremely important to me. I am a retired college professor. We need equal access to all kinds of sites on the internet and that includes entertainment and serious academic matters. Please do not repeal net neutrality status under Title II of the FCC rules — leave it the way it is. Thank you very much.

We need to keep the internet open, free and unshackled for all users. Please do not change this. Thank you.

Hi Chairman Pai. Net neutrality is important to me because I feel that the internet should be available to all at the same cost, and that cable companies in particular should not be able to take advantage and have higher speeds than anybody else. Thank you. Bye.

Please do not touch the FCC's 2015 net neutrality order. The proposed changes would give far too much power to cable companies and would undermine our ability to choose for ourselves the resources and content we may visit on the internet. It would also adversely affect the ability of smaller businesses to be adequately represented on the internet if ISPs are allowed to charge higher prices for faster content loading. Invest in our fundamental rights, defend freedom of speech and choice, and protect us from being taken advantage of by companies that already wield far too much power than they should. Uphold the FCC's 2015 order. Thank you.

Hello Chairman Pai. We need net neutrality. We don't need the internet controlled by the rich and powerful, as they do other sources of the media, such as radio, television and newspapers. We need equal access which the internet right now gives us. I think by continuing net neutrality this gives everyone a voice and it gives the people the chance to decide for themselves, rather than being controlled by the rich and powerful, as I stated earlier. Thank you.

Chairman, net neutrality is important to me because in America we have the right to practice our religions. Much of religion reaches people on the internet. Many people cannot go to other people when they are hurting and the internet offers a place where people who are spiritually or emotionally in pain can go and find quick help. This is what makes net neutrality important in one way in America. If it slows down and people who are in need of help, particularly in today's world where so much help comes from electronic devices, slowing down assistance people can obtain on prevention of suicide, of reaching information that can nurture their spirits, that is if access is slowed down, there is a difficulty added to the difficulties of a lower class, even a middle class, where many people because of the stresses of life make poor choices, commit suicide, injure themselves, injure others, and there are many religious organizations reaching out through the internet for these people to find help. If it slowed it would be difficult to obtain because people can't pay for this expensive speed, you make life in America more stressful and I believe this is a point worth your consideration. Thank you.



Hello. I am a registered voter. I am concerned about the net neutrality. I believe in it. I think it is fundamental for free speech. Big companies possibly could censor your voice and make it harder for you to speak online if you do not have net neutrality, so I think it is the First Amendment of the internet. Please vote for net neutrality and make sure that we maintain it for the general public, alright. Thank you very much.

Mr. Chairman Pai, for me net neutrality is very important. I want to keep it as is. I want more freedom, not less. I don't want you to mess with it or get cozy with Comcast and all the internet provider companies. If you cannot help us break down their monopolies, then just do nothing. Okay? Thank you. This is Oscar. Bye.

Hi. Chairman Pai, I'm calling to tell you that net neutrality is really important to me. I feel like it's important for me to have a place to exercise free speech. As a teacher, I use the net all the time for educational material and I don't want to be blocked. I don't want resources to be blocked by companies who want to make a profit. I think that I should be able to choose the sources that I want to use for research. I should have a choice of all sources. Please, please maintain net neutrality. Thank you.

I feel the need for keeping my freedom of choice and not be controlled by big corporate decisions on the speed of my internet. Thank you.

I'm a small business owner. Net neutrality means to me that I will have faster internet speeds and that's important to me because the faster I get things done over the internet the more things I can get done, and that means more money for me. Chairman Pai can go suck an egg. Net neutrality, I'm going to fight for it. Thanks a lot. Bye-bye.

I support net neutrality for a free market.

Hello. This message is for Chairman Pai. I'm very concerned about the discussion going on about net neutrality. There's no question that the little guy will get bumped off the internet practically completely by the big, big companies. This isn't fair. The internet is meant to be used by everybody equally. Please vote to keep the internet as it is — neutrality. Thank you very much Chairman Pai, and I believe our deceased Supreme Court Judge Scalia spoke for neutrality. In honor of Judge Scalia, please keep neutrality going for the little guy. Thank you. My name is Mick Culbertson. I'm a resident in Portland, Oregon. Thank you very much. Bye-bye.

Chairman Pai, I'm not a lobbyist, nor am I a member of a large corporation. I'm just an average 61-year-old American citizen. However, like a lot of my other fellow Americans, I am very disillusioned with the way our government is treating us, taking away individual rights in favor of those of large corporations or millionaires. I do care enough about net neutrality however, to record this message. We need to keep freedom of speech alive in the United States, and for

whatever reason the internet seems to be the last arena for free speech. While much of it during the last election was egregious and disturbing, it is still a right that we Americans enjoy. When children or just average people need to research information we can be sure that whether it supports a certain view or completely denies it, the information we can find on the internet is from various sources, not just approved ones. Our children need to know the real history of the United States, and real answers to the questions that they put on the internet, not someone's specific agenda. Please do not take away net neutrality. It would just be another example of how the government has stopped caring about the little guy or the average American in favor of the desires of large corporations like the cable companies. I know you used to lobby for the cable companies, and I have to tell you, our current provider, Time Warner Cable is horrific, but I have no choice. I don't have to watch television — I can do without that. I can get a cell phone to communicate with, but when it comes to doing average, everyday business, and researching information, I have no choice but to take the internet that is offered to me from Time Warner Cable, no matter how fast it is, or how slow it is, or how much it costs me. Please do not eliminate net neutrality. Thank you. Deborah Daigneault, Cohoes, New York.

Hi. My name is David Kanenwisher from Fargo, North Dakota. I work for a software contractor called Myriad Mobile where we develop mobile and web applications that depend on net neutrality so that our products and services can be delivered as equally and reliably as our competitors and so that the [inaudible] has to build software to also ensure that their products can compete equally in the marketplace, so there are already a bunch of web applications and apps out there. People are already working hard to compete by coming up with new innovations and whatnot, and if they can't get their solutions they can't deliver their products quickly and reliably over the internet then they're not going to stand a chance against the established products in the marketplace. Thank you. Bye.

This bill is not going to be fair to small business owners and when you have it where the big internet service providers can have the fast speed and you're left with the slow speed, that is going to be bad for the small business owners, so I really believe that you should not pass this bill through. Thank you.

Hi. I'm a registered voter in Phoenix, Arizona. My zip code is 85015. I would like you to leave the internet as it has always been. I support net neutrality. Thank you. So does everyone I know, by the way.

Chairman Pai, this is Susan calling from Florida, and I want to ask you to protect net neutrality because it protects free speech on the internet for all citizens of the world. It creates equality for all web developers and small business owners so everybody can have access to it for the promotion of their businesses. You need to support it for the quality of education by assuring that all resources are available to our teachers and students and it allows me to decide what I view, and for how long, not slowing of internet speeds because a monitor somewhere decides I spend too much time on any one given site. Thank you for your consideration and support of net neutrality.

My name is Johnnye Denman. I'm a retiree and I am also disabled so I use the internet every day. I have to pay a lot for Comcast to get internet access and net neutrality is extremely important to me because I don't think it's fair for individuals to get less for what they pay for than corporations. I disagree with everything that the Trump Administration has done about roll-backs of regulations for the benefit of big corporations, but this impacting me really badly, and it will everyone who depends on the internet, but is not wealthy and is not a big corporation. Please save the net neutrality for us. Thank you.

Net neutrality is important for me because it allows me to watch video series on the internet that I otherwise probably would not have any access too. Much of the mainstream media blocks non-traditional thinking about medical options and non-traditional medical options. Alternative and functional medicine options are important to me in researching conditions of health and disease, so I would like to keep net neutrality in order to have freedom to watch these and to allow the producers to produce them.

Hello. Christ. Jesus. God damn, go to hell.

Hello. This message is for Chairman Pai. I wanted to let him that I strongly support net neutrality. There's a lot of incredibly important information on the internet, and we cannot allow companies that only care about profits to filter, block or prevent access to that information to anyone in the world. Please stop trying to defeat net neutrality. Please continue to support it and strengthen. Thank you.

Hello. Net neutrality could censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. I don't like the idea of big corporations controlling the internet.

Hello Chairman Pai. I want to say that the net neutrality is important to me. I do not want it to be messed with or removed. I want it left as is. We already have enough of the government within our lives. We don't need any more. We do not need big companies taking over the internet and not allowing us to download and research things that are real. I'm asking you to please leave it intact and not do anything with it; just leave it where it is. Thank you very much. Bye.

I am in favor of keeping net neutrality. I think it is important for everyone to have equal access to the internet and not give some who can afford it a better advantage, and I think it should be treated like any other utility that we all get to have the same access for the same price. Thank you.

Hey Pai, what the hell is going on? I thought that freedom of the web was supposed to be protected forever. But then, what the hell is going on, huh?

Chairman Pai, I pay for my internet access and I will definitely vote with my pocketbook for net neutrality absolutely, even if I have to get less speed for more money, and in addition to that, I'm an American and I expect to have some freedoms as an American. Also, sir, I will certainly vote in the mid-term elections. Thank you so much, and I will vote, vote, and campaign, campaign and campaign. Thank you again.

Hey Pai, I plead you to leave the internet. Let it continue to be the awesome resource it is for millions of people. Going against net neutrality is going against the principles that the internet was founded upon, that it was with the intention, the design it had, the people that created the internet had in mind. By you voting against trying to overturn net neutrality you are violating people's rights to have this awesome resource that brings people together, that allows people to share democratic ideals, share their voice, aside from being of entertainment and such a valuable resource that I urge you and please to stand up for the internet, not against it. I beg you to please, please vote for net neutrality. Thank you.

Hello. My name is Patricia Fairbanks. I not an internet major user, but I use it frequently in the home use. I understand that there are bad things out there on the internet. I also understand there are bad things outside my front door, out in the world. The world is not necessarily a safe place. You have to learn how to protect yourself out there. You have to learn how to protect yourself on the internet. Gutting people's rights on the internet is not how to do it. It doesn't work interest he world, and it won't work on the internet. You need to keep it where people can see and read and post as they wish, and then objectionable things can be dealt with after the fact. It is the internet. It is just like sticking posters on a board and everybody walks by and everybody says that post is absolutely disgusting and must come down. Okay, fine. That's the way you do it. You don't just gut the whole rights to the internet. You don't take over and coddle us like we're all children. We all have to learn how to protect ourselves in the world. We all have to learn how to protect ourselves on the internet. Thank you.

My name is Adrian Ferriss. I live in Ashland, North Carolina, phone number 828-684-0002. Net neutrality is incredibly important. If you concentrate the power of the net in terms of access, in terms of speed, in terms of censorship, in the hands of the people who can best afford to pay so the larger companies can put in the largest bids, and then they control net access, and this limits our selection, our ability to choose the information we have access to. By slowing down service to other providers then people won't have the patience to stay online particularly if it comes very slow. The net neutrality issue is so important because otherwise you favor big business over individuals completely, and it becomes all about money and not about free speech and access. Thank you.

Hi. It's Lori Scott-Pinter [SP?] calling. I'm concerned about net neutrality as a consumer and as a business person as well. I would like to see that the FCC do their job to protect net neutrality for all consumers and don't let big business take over by making money and not providing a web that is continuously good for all people. Again, I'm looking for the FCC to do their job and protect net neutrality. Lori Scott-Pinter [SP?], and I live in Michigan. Thank you.

Hi. I'm calling to support net neutrality because it's fundamental to free speech and to competition so that internet service providers can choose between which services and content load quickly and we need to protect competition in that area, and protect innovation, so that we have choices. It's about freedom. Thank you.

Hello Chairman Pai and the FCC. I work in software, particularly internet software, and I think it is not good for us to punish the net neutrality laws. We need those for the economic transformations that the internet has given us, and those will continue if we just keep some basic good stewardship of the internet. Net neutrality is a grand incubator for our economy. We must keep it open and keep the ability for different companies of different sizes to prove themselves and for non-commercial interests to prove themselves. This is just part of making a better country. Thank you. Bye.

Chairman Pai, I wish to let you know that net neutrality is very important to me. I consider it as part of my free speech as an American citizen, and I do not feel it is for sale. I wish to keep it the way it is, and I think it is my right as it is.

Hello. I am Andrew Gerhold [SP?] from Fort Bragg, California. I am calling to ask you to do everything possible to defend the notion of net neutrality from those who want to destroy it. If net neutrality goes away, it will create two internets — one for the well-connected and wealthy, and a slower, shabbier version for everyone else. Please stand up and reject any attempts to wreck net neutrality, whether it comes from the head of the FCC, your congressional colleagues or Trump. Thank you very much.

Net neutrality is important to me and my extended family, including friends. I hear and read about your objections to net neutrality and do not believe that they are accurate. Please maintain net neutrality for all of us.

Our country was founded on free speech and in today's world that means equal access to media. If net neutrality is violated, that means that access to media is up for the price to the highest bidder, and I don't think that freedom of speech is something that should be based on how much money you've got to pay for it. Thank you.

Hello Chairman Pai. My name is Woodrow Gandy and I live in Dallas, Texas. I rely on the internet not only for personal uses from everything from browsing to receiving multi-media content watching movies, but I also own two web-based companies, and I thought about this a great deal, and I believe that the country will best be served by maintaining net neutrality. I see there are arguments on both sides, but I think it is very clear that there is no need to change that and there's just not something that needs to be fixed here, but there are risks and dangers to decrease the pace of the innovation on the internet. I just really believe that it would be a big mistake, and I hope that you will not support this relaxing of the net neutrality standard. Thank you very much. Bye.

Hi. This message is for Chairman Pai. This is Richmon Garwood in San Antonio, Texas. I'm a mechanical engineering graduate at Texas A&M University. I have worked in the computer fields, the small business fields, the oil field and many, many other things. I'm concerned about net neutrality. I keep seeing that in this country we keep conglomerating things to large corporations. We pay double and sometimes triple what it costs for internet and cell phone access in other parts of the world. We have supposedly the free enterprise system here in this country, but I'm seeing that what is trying to be done with eliminating net neutrality and creating a fast lane and a slow lane will basically just get rid of what's called free competition on the internet. I'm against that. The internet is probably one of the last few places where a single proprietor like myself can compete with large businesses. I am imploring you to do what you can to stop and keep net neutrality just up to you, and hopefully the big corporations won't take over. Thank you very much. Take care.

I think net neutrality is very important for small business. The new next Hewlett-Packard will be a small business that grows. Net neutrality is important.

Our nation is built on small businesses growing. Young entrepreneurs like Steve Jobs was, will be shut out if net neutrality is not preserved.

Greetings. Sunday afternoon in New Orleans. This is Lee Gary with a message for FCC Chairman Pai. Back off on changing net neutrality. Leave what is good alone. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Leave it alone. Let net neutrality stand. Think of something else to do if you're trying to create your legacy or your imprint on FCC. Keep net neutrality. This is Lee Gary in New Orleans, area code 504-269-2330. End of message.

My name is David Geddes. I live in Alexandria, Minnesota and I am a strong believer in net neutrality. Imagine a crazy world in which the phone companies would only let me call certain people, and in which the phone companies would determine who I could call with a good quality signal and who I could call and would get a poor quality signal. Net neutrality is important for me personally. Net neutrality is important for my business. I use many internet-based partners, and I want total freedom to choose among the big ones and the small ones, and I'm afraid the small ones will get squeezed out. Please do not roll back net neutrality regulations.

Net neutrality beyond free speech, fundamental of innovation and a quality education and healthy internet — if it's not left neutral we will end up with all kinds of additional rip-offs and being taken advantage of in many different ways from businesses that know how to take advantage and the general public just can't fight against it. It's important that we stay neutral. Thanks. Bye.

Hello. I am calling against the repeal of net neutrality. I am totally against different choice by carrier to decide the speed of the internet, to decide on preventing me to freely access the internet

and express my opinion. I am calling for Pai to not repeal the net neutrality. It's an important tool in the internet to ensure the First Amendment. Thank you.

Hi Chairman Pai. Net neutrality is important to me because it keeps everybody on an equal playing field. Yes, you have some people who have better educations, come from better backgrounds, but net neutrality somehow makes us all equal in that we can get the same information, the same speeds and everything just seems to work better. Thank you, and please keep net neutrality.

I'm just calling to voice my concern that if in this country we do not have level composition and things are dictated only by a couple of big companies who want more than their share, basically the whole country is going to suffer. It looks like only the people with more money than the common man will be able to afford the services that everybody at this point is entitled to. Again, competition is a healthy thing if it's done correctly. Thank you.

Hey Chairman Pai, dismantling net neutrality rules forces businesses to pay to play and I'm completely, completely against that. Today, network services are affordable. An affordable network enables me, an entrepreneur, to develop services without the need to partner with venture capitalists. Not partnering with large investors at this juncture enables me to maximize the value for customers, rather than shareholders. If, however, net neutrality were to be eliminated, increased cost from networking telecommunication services would prohibit me from continuing this business strategy, and force me to do something I'm not ready to do, and that is to partner with people whose sole interest is the maximization of shareholder value. Dismantling net neutrality forces me to forfeit customer value for shareholder value, and that's why I am against dismantling net neutrality.

[Bad audio in beginning]. ...providers to restrict traffic will limit innovation and hamper economic growth by limiting start-up's abilities to launch new products in the market, and it will cause protectionism among existing players and will also damage the free flow of information. Please, please, please consider maintaining the Title II protections for broadband. Thank you very much.

The internet appears to be one of the few remaining sources where everybody is equal. Once you break net neutrality you [inaudible] the quality and provide fast speeds only for the rich, and everybody else will be dragged along and/or be forced to pay high rates to get the same things that they are totally getting right now. There is no loss to the cable companies the way things are now, and the only thing they get out of this is monetary gain while the rest of the public either loses speed or loses money. This is just another example of how the rich — the 1% — control the 99%. It must not happen.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is very important to me, and I'm tired of corporations trying to run our lives. We want you to keep net neutrality neutral. Thank you.



Good morning, Chairman Pai. My name is Judy Harris, and I believe strongly that net neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without it big companies could censor our voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality has become the First Amendment of the internet. Thank you.

Net neutrality is very important to me. It is the equivalent of free speech on the net, and please continue to support it and do not change current view from the FCC. Thank you.

Hello Chairman Pai. I'm very concerned about net neutrality. The idea of coming home in the evenings and having Netflix having bought the majority of the fast bandwidth, and having trouble getting other internet sites is really troubling to me. The idea that huge corporations are going to be able to buy faster bandwidth to the detriment of other companies or the individuals of our country that want to use the internet is just wrong. Please reconsider your thought about allowing the reduction of net neutrality. Thanks for your time.

Hi Chairman Pai. I just wanted to say that I strongly support net neutrality. I work in the technology sector in a start-up, and my start-up would be negatively affected if there were no assurances that network traffic would be evenly conducted throughout the internet, free of the economic incentives that ISPs would have to monetize the prioritizing streams. I just hope that you will not go forward with this. I think it is a really bad idea, and also, if it ain't broke, don't fix it. We are doing great. There is still infrastructure investment. The internet has been very successful in its current form, so let's just not mess with such a huge thing. All right? Thanks. Bye.

Hi. I'm calling to support net neutrality. History shows that the ISPs can't be trusted to regulate themselves. They need to remain regulated under Title II — the changes made by the FCC in 2015.

It's Stanley Hazen in Virginia. I'm responding to the request for comments on net neutrality. It's important for big users and small alike to be able to access the internet equally. It's not up to big businesses to decide who is going to get a chance to use it or not. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. It's not broke. It's not up to the Republicans to tell us what is important for the internet and what isn't important. It's up to the users, and I'm telling you. Thank you for your attention.

Hi Chairman Pai. I am very concerned about the abolishment of net neutrality. It's fundamental to our free speech. Also, big companies such as AT&T are allowed to censor us and interfere with our freedom of speech. It's very important that you respect net neutrality. Thank you very much.



Free speech is important for innovation, it's important for quality education, and it's important for us to maintain control over what is there for everyone, not just big corporate interests. Thank you. Grethe Holby.

Net neutrality is important for me for competition between internet service providers. I've had very poor giant internet service providers in the past. It's very important that small people can compete. It's very important to me for free speech because ISPs should not be able to gauge or direct where our traffic should go, and internet freedom is also important to innovation, because we need lots of innovators working on new technologies and they have to have the fastest bandwidth possible, and should not be restricted to particular content. Thank you. Bye.

Good morning. My name is Larry Hudgins, Santa Fe, New Mexico. I'm in favor of protecting net neutrality. It allows all Americans the right to visit any website for information they can't get elsewhere. Deregulating the internet would be I think a very bad choice to make. It would eliminate certain segments of our population the right to use the internet. It would also make it much more expensive. Deregulation would cause prices to go up and service to go down. Please protect net neutrality. Thank you.

I believe that net neutrality is important because our basic privacy is eroding and this will only make it a thing of the past. Thank you very much.

Pai, don't get rid of net neutrality. Don't gut the internet. We need it for entrepreneurship. We need it for freedom of the First Amendment. We need the internet free and transparent. Bye.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is absolutely a fundamental to free speech, which is the basis of our American system. Without net neutrality big companies could censor our voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality is really the First Amendment of the internet. Also, as a teacher, I'm concerned for myself and my students because ISPs could easily then block resources that compete with their own offerings, forcing students to choose sources that they would need to use for their research, according to what the ISP wants to offer and not what is actually out there, so please, please, please make sure you protect the net neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, my name is J.L. Errol [SP?]. I am retired. I was a former of the Oklahoma Tax Commission and President of the National Tax Association in 1985. I use the internet a lot. I believe that the big boys with the money control too much of our lives already, and I think that we are entitled to enjoy the same speed privileges on the internet that the people with the big money have. We are just a common people, but we are many, and we are powerful. Thank you for your consideration and maintaining net neutrality. My number is 580-335-1818. Thank you, sir, and have a good day. Bye.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is important to me because I'd like to protect free speech.

Hello Chairman Pai. I am an 85-year-old woman who is not really technically terribly adept, but I love the fact that I can learn so much online and I don't want to have the net neutrality that's made it so easy to use my computer changed. Please, let's keep net neutrality for the sake of us oldsters, and us oldsters do vote in large numbers, and I think it is important to remember that we are a politically powerful group. Thank you.

Net neutrality means to me that I would have freedom of choice, freedom of speech on the internet and would not have to worry about my time on the internet being shortened because I may have been on a website too long, and it's a part of freedom — my rights. Thank you. Please don't take it away.

Hi. My name is Jeff, and I am deeply concerned about the attack on net neutrality. I want net neutrality protected. It is important that we have a free and open internet, and it is never to be controlled by corporations. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality is important to me inasmuch as I do not want large companies dictating as to what I wish to see or hear on the internet, because it is not financially advantageous to them and making them more money. It is a matter of free speech, not financial gains. May you have a good day.

Hi Mr. Pai — Ajit — FCC Chairman. Internet is a public resource. It should be open, and it cannot ever, ever be controlled or have any [inaudible] controlled by any corporation whatsoever. Just like electricity, just like phone, this is a public resource, and there should be full surety that it's completely fair and open and it's never, ever controlled by any one party ever. It is open, it's public, and that's how it should be. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, my name is Kevin Jones. I voted the Republican ticket this year and proud of it. Net neutrality is very important to me as an individual internet user, and as a small businessman. I insist that you not gut this program to allow the big companies to have control over the internet. It's a free speech issue and it's a fundamental rights issue. Thank you very much.

Chairman Pai, my name is Josephine Gopin, and I believe net neutrality is vital to the health of the internet. Net neutrality fosters ...

Hi. My name is Josephine Gopin, and I believe the current net neutrality regulations should be kept in place because they foster a more competitive business environment on the internet, allowing small businesses to compete readily with larger ones, which fosters competition, and I believe that it creates a greater platform for free speech, and prevents companies from limiting who has access to what information.

Hello. I'm calling to voice my concern about net neutrality, and for Chairman Pai to really take seriously the fact that the Federal Communications agency that you head was created to protect America's freedoms and to protect it from corporate control and corporate interests that would change that. You, Chairman Pai — Mr. Ajit Pai — if you give in to those interests rather than stand up for the principles of freedom, you are nothing but a whore, and you're opening your legs and allowing the corporations to screw you while you take their money. Okay? That's all I have to say of why you should stand up for net neutrality rather than opening your doors to allowing it to come in. Don't be a whore. Thank you.

Mr. Ajit Pai, the Federal Communications Commission was created to protect the rights of the people, to protect consumers from corporate interests that would take advantage of them and disregard their needs, or disregard freedom. If you do not feel equal to the task of doing that, then you should step down. You should not be the Chairman if your interests in how much money you can make out of this through corporate supports and corporate bribes is more important to you than actually fulfilling your duty as a citizen and as a representative in the United States government, and so that's the choice that I think you need to make. If you choose to support corporate interests over the welfare of the people — over the principles of freedom — then you are nothing but a corporate slut, and they know it. They will come to you. They will love screwing you because you're doing what they want you to do. I hope you can see that and make a decision to either stand up for freedom, stand up for the principles of America, or step away from the job — let it go. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, my name is Susan. I want to tell you why net neutrality is important to me. I don't want the companies like Verizon and any of the providers to be charged for any streaming music that even with the commercial streaming music, that's like blackmail. Also, I don't want what I see on a channel to be determined by the provider that I'm getting access to the internet with. I want to be able to see what I choose. It's like destroying freedom of speech, and that means a lot to me, and I will fight politically and with every cent of money that I have to prevent this from happening. Thank you very much for listening. Bye-bye.

Yes, Chairman Pai. A Net Neutrality is necessary for a sane and safe populace. It is as important as freedom of the press, freedom of speech. Plus, large companies, if they get an opportunity, will do whatever they can to increase their ability to compete, even if this means restricting access or products over the Internet to individuals just to improve their position. It's a vital part of society today and should not be in any way restricted other than to enforce normal laws against slander, profanity, etc. Please, do not interfere with Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Hi, I'd like to leave a message for the chairman of the FCC. I want to talk in terms of Net Neutrality and the idea that access to the Internet should be able to be bought and sold. This is a fundamentally poor idea, because what it does is it allows people with money to control who has access and what sites are accessible on the Internet. It's bad for students, it's bad for teaching, it's bad for free speech. It's bad. Anybody that supports it is either A, a clown to the

telecommunication industry or has not really thought through what this is all about. We are a country of free speech, and access to the Internet and use of the Internet should be our most free of speeches. To sell that out is a crime against the people who can't afford to buy it. I appreciate your time, and I hope you would consider what I've said.

As both a small business owner for 15 years and an active Internet user for even longer, I strongly oppose the considered changes to the Internet's neutrality. If a multi-tiered system is developed, I will undoubtedly be unable to pay for the higher speeds, because I do not have the funds of a major corporation. I expect connection speeds to be throttled, data limits lowered, and the introduction of general monopoly practices that punish lower classed clients. It appears that the only people benefitting from these changes will be the large Internet providers: Verizon, Time Warner Cable, Comcast, etc. Where is the FCC's morality to provide benefits for the nation's citizenry, instead of placing more money in the pockets of large, regional monopolies? Having experienced the resulting monopoly disaster that followed the airline industry deregulation in the 1970s, I fully expect a similar disaster to occur if the current Internet level playing field is changed. Over the last two decades, various government agencies have been ignoring the needs of its citizens. This nation needs neutrality to foster innovation and new startups. Please don't discard the equal treatment of all data currently in place. Thank you.

Please retain Net Neutrality; otherwise, the little people might realize that they don't really have a voice, and they'll come after us and want our money. You understand, don't you?

Chairman Pai, this is Mike Knaebel. I'm calling to beg you to keep Net Neutrality enforced. It is the basis for our freedoms. Please, please keep the Internet free. Let me voice my opinion. Let me be a concerned American. I appreciate your help. Thank you.

I completely support Net Neutrality. It should be defended at any costs, practically. Please support Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Hi. Net Neutrality is very important. We need to keep it. There is no doubt that it is a First Amendment issue. We all deserve all information out there. Without it, we have a dictatorship.

Without Net Neutrality, the incumbents who provide access to the Internet would be able to pick winners or losers in the market. They could impose tolls on innovative new services, or they could impede newcomer's traffic in order to favor their own services or established competitors. Net Neutrality allows instead for creativity, innovation, and economic growth. This is what the public whom you serve overwhelmingly wants. Listen to us. Do not roll back Net Neutrality protections.

Hi. I work for an Internet audio visual search indexing startup, and Net Neutrality is important to me, because it helps increase competition. Without this, we wouldn't be able to do what we do.

Power would be consolidated in the likes of Google, Netflix. Don't get me wrong; I love Google and Netflix, but I don't want power to be consolidated in just a few companies without any opportunity for breaking into the industry or increasing competition. Please protect Net Neutrality and keep the Internet free, open, and public.

Yeah, this is a message for Chairman Pai, and I want to tell him why Net Neutrality is important to all of us. I hope he does understand with his former employee, Verizon, they basically set up everything. I don't know what is the rush to do these changes right now. As a small business owner, this is fundamental for innovation. I really hope that you understand that we are trying to prevent big Internet service providers such as Verizon that can basically choose which services and content I might be able to access. Please don't do this. I really encourage you to watch the John Oliver video and just keep Net Neutrality as it is. Thank you.

Hi, Mr. Pai. My name is Bob Lawrence, and I'm both an engineer and still a student, and I'm on the Internet all the time. I think if we allow companies to either slow down what data they wish or don't give you easy access to all types of data and all locations we'll be doing ourselves a great disservice, and we will start to have a commercially equivalent restriction on the Internet the way some other countries ban or make access to certain sites difficult. Please support Net Neutrality. Thanks.

Yes, hello. My name is Steven Leach. I run a small company of software engineers of 12 people. We do all of our work over the Internet. We provide services, we provide microservices, and if we have to pay extra for a fast lane or to get above other traffic, you're going to drive us out of business. You're going to have 12 more people — true, they're considered skill people, since they're all web developers, but you're going to put us out of business. Who do you represent? Are you representing the people or not? Are you just allowing any of the ISPs to charge whatever they want when they're a regulated, when they should be regulated? Because there's no competition. I have here a single service provider here in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles is divided up, and then there are fringes of competition where you have two service providers in certain fringe regions, and that's it. You're going to put us out of business. Goodbye.

I am a firm believer in Net Neutrality. I do not want someone to be able to supersede the free market, and that is choosing corporations over the individual for fast lanes. It should be a level playing field. Net Neutrality, that's what we need and demand. Thank you.

Hi. Message for Chairman Pai. Hello, Tom calling out of Buffalo, New York. Hey, listen. I'm talking about this Net Neutrality. I would like to suggest that you keep it as an open, public thing. It's like asking the question how can you change something that is in the public domain into a corporate interest? Once you give it away, they'll never give it back, right? Now getting back to the subject of Net Neutrality, let's use an analogy, an old one like a public library. A public library does not censor the content. It also doesn't limit it. A library doesn't throttle the resources like an ISP might. A public library doesn't do a pay on demand for resources. It's a public library, obviously. Those are the big things. Now, a corporate interest. What is that comparing to a

library? Well, that's like them providing the ISPs, and in the older fashioned analogy them buying the library building, sponsoring it or whatever. It's what a socially positive thing to do. I'm certain they have their own return on investment plans, but how nice of them to have supplied a building. It's almost like a stadium, but I'm getting off. Let these interests buy or make the building, but please, leave the content alone. Like I said, this is a little too aggressive for private interests as opposed to the public interests. I hope I'm not meandering. I hope you heard my message clear enough. Please leave something that's in the public for the public. Treat Network Neutrality like the subject of handling a public library. No censoring, no limiting, no regulating, no pay for, all that kind of stuff. Thank you very much for hearing me out. Have a good day. Bye.

Hello. My name is Carolyn Lewis. I'm calling to tell, unfortunately, he's the Chairman, Ajit Pai, that I am opposed to his wish to hamper free and even treatment of the programming I receive title to protect me from big money that will control or can control what I receive. I am against your plan. Goodbye.

My name is Devon Bombay. I am a brand-new software developer. I have changed my career first from military intelligence with the United States Army to finance, and now I'm pursuing software development using programs and tools like Ruby, React, JavaScript, Node, all that jazz. Net Neutrality is what gives me the opportunity to innovate, create new content, and work with venture capitalists and entrepreneurs who have great ideas and want to get them online without having to worry about whether Comcast or Fios or Verizon or any other Internet service provider is going to make me pay thousands of dollars for minimal content or for new content, because I can't compete with their large companies. Keep Net Neutrality. It is an absolute necessary protection for users, developers, anyone who isn't part of a faceless corporation.

Net Neutrality is fundamental to quality education. Without Net Neutrality, ISPs could block resources that complete their own offering, letting them choose the sources you can use for refresh perhaps based on who is willing to be able to pay an extra fee. Bye.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Mark Sykuta. I'm calling in regards to the Net Neutrality issue that you're going to be addressing. I'm just letting you know that I think free speech is very important, and when you have a place in our country and society where you can actually affect free speech, that is a great responsibility. I really think that you should consider what Net Neutrality means and the darkness that could come forth when corporations get control of anything; it's never, ever a good thing. They don't act with our good interest in their hearts. They don't act with anyone's interest but their own, and money is the bottom line. We have a beautiful thing when we have freedom, and to risk losing even a shred of that is, I think it's unfathomable. Please keep this in mind and everyone else's opinions when it comes time to make a decision. Thank you very much for listening.

Hello, Mr. Pai. My name is Richard Martinez, a veteran, a Vietnam hero stationed in Korea, a ground pounder. I've seen the beginning of the Internet. I've seen its rise and its effect on American public. It's incredible. Our technology, our information, our growth as a nation. If you

destroy Net Neutrality, all of that will be for lost, and you will be responsible. You are involved. You have authority, and you can lead us out of this nightmare that we're going through with the current [demigod]. Please do what is right for the American public. Thank you.

Hello, Matt Elley out of Seattle just calling to leave a voice message here for Chairman Pai for the need for Net Neutrality. I think it's very important to keep the Internet free and open to all to continue to use without having large providers potentially influence and curate and change what service is provided for one another. The Internet has always been a very free thing that's allowed for free speech and ideas to flow, and that is what we need for democracy to remain. Having it get channeled through and controlled by only a few providers through a natural monopoly is very concerning. I think for the need for us to keep democracy intact we need to keep the net neutral. Please hear my concerns and help to maintain the neutrality of the Internet. Thank you. Bye.

Hello. My family and I are very concerned. We use the Internet quite a bit, and it's very important that each provider and each service that is trying to provide for us information for searches and research or for purchasing and sales be on a level playing field so that each has the opportunity to receive and send information in a fair manner and not have the speed or availability of the information controlled by a consumer company where corporate companies of Internet providers and other means can control what information is available to individuals on the Internet. We need to be able to find the things that we need to know and not have companies penalized or decrease in their speed of transmission and otherwise made difficult for consumers to receive the information. Not based on the appropriateness of the information or anything else, but on financial means and how much somebody else could make if this person's information was left available. Please maintain the Net Neutrality. Do not allow the big corporations or the large Internet providers to make it so that internet information and services are not available in a fair manner to all of the people in the country. Without it, there would not be proper free speech, things would be controlled in a manner which is not appropriate for a free nation.

This is Dale McCormick calling to voice my support for Net Neutrality. The word from Washington is that it is not going to cost the little man to have the fixes done that they require. However, that's not been the case in the past. Whenever things like this happen, the big corporations get richer at the little person's expense. Net Neutrality, the Internet is not broken; let's don't fix it. Thank you.

Net Neutrality is important to me because it gives each individual access to information that they need when they need it without a compromise of Internet speeds, without someone censoring what a person is looking for. I believe this is one of our rights as an American.

Chairman Pai, Net Neutrality is a basic system of equality. Please reinforce Net Neutrality. Steve McGuirk.



Hi. My name is Gina, and I am in favor of Net Neutrality. I am a teacher. I teach in a business school at the undergrad level, and I like to use videos from all over the place to help my students understand the details of what the concepts I'm teaching look like in real life. I explain the concept, then we look at an example on a video, often from freely available on the Internet, and we talk about it, and the students better understand it. I please would ask you to keep the net neutral. Thank you.

Mr. Pai, I am urging you to support Net Neutrality. Net Neutrality is important because it allows consumers who have already paid for their Internet service to connect to any source of data that they want. If Net Neutrality isn't upheld, it's as if the power company charges you more based on what you want to plug into the outlet. It is utterly ridiculous, and we're going to make the United States of America even more of a third-world country when these changes get implemented. I'm urging you to stand up for the American people and uphold Net Neutrality.

I'm calling about Net Neutrality. I think it's vital that everybody have access and that it's not possible to play favorites with who gets faster service or slower service. That's for web developers, small business owners, for teachers and students in education, but most importantly, for individuals. That we at any time can trust that we have access to communication through the net for research, for wondering, for looking up things, just for availability, for doing reports, whatever it may be. In this country, there should be no favorites when it comes to Internet use. Thank you.

Yes, Net Neutrality's important because it's fundamental to free speech and prevents censorship. It's fundamental to innovation. It's fundamental to quality education for teachers and students, and it's fundamental to a healthy Internet. Please support Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman, my name is Jeff, and this is possibly the most important issue to me. Without Net Neutrality, there's absolutely nothing to guarantee that I have access to all the information available to me on any political site, on any scientific issue, on any religious issue. Without Net Neutrality, the government or companies or individuals can have small but hugely impactful control over what I can consume. If you'd like to see an example of what that looks like, just go head over to China. We must keep Net Neutrality. It is critical for the survival of liberty in the United States.

Please keep Net Neutrality in place. I do not want to give big pharma or big oil or any other big industry control over what I watch on my Internet connection. I am not able to get out much, and I depend on the Internet for seeking out the truth, not propaganda. Thank you.

I'm calling to advocate in favor of not repealing Net Neutrality, keeping it the way it is right now. It's a basic requirement to maintain competition on the Internet, and it's a basic requirement for innovation that's been occurring all this while. I have to think you're either tragically naive or



willfully ignorant or somebody owns you to even consider doing this. Do not repeal Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Hi, this message is for Chairman Pai. My name is Paul Nass. I live in Mount Pleasant, Wisconsin. I'm calling to advocate to keep Net Neutrality. Do not repeal it. It is absolutely necessary to maintain competition on the Internet the way it is now and to continue to support innovation. It's basic to our free choice on the Internet, for crying out loud. I can't understand why you'd even consider doing this. You have to be tragically naive or willfully ignorant or somebody owns you. Do not repeal Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Hi. Why is Net Neutrality important to me? Because I use the Internet. I have my own personal contracting business that I need people to be able to see my website and see my work. Because I also want the information I'm searching for to not be curated by middlemen like Comcast and Verizon, and also big companies like Comcast and Verizon don't need more excuses to or more methods in which they can give us shittier service than they already do. Thank you. Bye.

Yes, Chairman Pai, my name is Bea Northcott. I'm calling from Franklin, Indiana in support of Net Neutrality. I am a small business owner. I work primarily with non-profit agencies. I work independently on contract and do a lot of my work remotely, requiring Internet access, requiring high speed Internet access in order to use VPNs for my clients, to access that, and having slower use, having to pay for speed would be very detrimental to both me and to my clients. I believe that an open Internet for all is vitally important, not only for free speech and First Amendment, but also for small businesses as myself. Thank you very much, and I certainly hope that you will support the small businesses rather than large corporations. Thank you.

I am against this new bill. Net Neutrality is important to every American. We do not want this taken over by corporations. We do not want to be told what we can and cannot see or can and cannot say.

Chairman Pai, Net Neutrality is the most important thing to maintain. Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without Net Neutrality, big companies will censor our voice and make it hard to speak online. Net Neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the Internet. Please maintain Net Neutrality.

Hi, Chairman Pai. This is Lennon Bronsema in Vashon Island in Washington State. Net Neutrality is so fundamental to what we need in Washington State to keep our competitive edge in the world. This is the state that created Microsoft and Amazon and Costco, and Net Neutrality, and allows everyone around the world to see what's made these companies great cannot be restricted by when an Internet company thinks they've seen too much. That goes beyond the core principles of our democratic country. We need Net Neutrality to continue. Please don't go back. Thank you.

Good evening. Subject: keeping Net Neutrality for concerned Internet users. Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. For web developers and small business owners, Net Neutrality is fundamental to innovation. For teachers and students, Net Neutrality is fundamental to quality education. For people who love cat videos, Net Neutrality is fundamental to a healthy Internet. Net Neutrality creates a level playing field. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I am for Net Neutrality. This is Patrick Gaume. I live in Houston, Texas, and the whole business of the Internet was free access for everyone. Maintain Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, my name is Rick Sullivan, and I'm calling about Net Neutrality. I support Net Neutrality. No need to remind you that you work for the government, and a government agency is an extension of supported by the tax paying citizens of the country and not the corporations of America. There is, to my knowledge, no clam or public clamoring to get rid of Net Neutrality. This is completely something brought on by corporations in order to increase their profits at the expense of citizens. We need to have Net Neutrality, and I need you to continue the laws to keep Net Neutrality and not sell out to corporations. Thank you very much.

Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without it, big companies can censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net Neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the Internet, and I believe in that. It is fundamental to innovation. Without it, big Internet service providers can choose which services and content load quickly and which move at a slow pace. That means that the big guys who can afford to buy their way in and keeps the little guy from being able to stand a chance. For teachers and students, Net Neutrality is fundamental to quality education. Without it, ISPs could block resources that compete with their own offerings, letting them choose the sources that we can use for research, perhaps based on who is willing or able to pay an extra fee. It's fundamental to a healthy Internet. Without it, ISPs could decide which videos I watch. Too many cat videos in one day and throttle my Internet speeds, leaving me behind on the latest [inaudible]. Please, please keep our Internet neutral. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I really want to be able to say, watch, and make what I want online without interference from corporate interests. Corporate interest would separate the United States into rich and everyone else. You must please protect Net Neutrality. It is the sacred-est free speech. It's absolutely fundamental to the United States citizens. Thank you very much.

Hello, Chairman Pai. Your job is so important to our democracy, and Net Neutrality demonstrates that perfectly. We need Net Neutrality in this nation to uphold freedom of speech. That is obviously a core component of a well-functioning democracy. Please keep this in mind as you consider the importance of this policy. Thank you.

Hello, Chairman Pai. I am calling regarding the Net Neutrality issue. It's really important to me for a couple of reasons. Number one, it makes a level playing field for everybody. I know the Trump administration has been talking about having a level playing field in such things as

international trade. I think it should apply also to our at-home business concerns. When we had Internet Neutrality, then everybody gets the same chance to use it. The second reason has to do with education and being able to make our own choices for ourselves, which is so American. If the Internet is not neutral, then somebody else gets to make choices for those of us who use it every single day, and that's not fair. That's not right. That's not the American way. I would really appreciate it if you would leave things as they are so that everybody gets a level playing field and everybody gets access to what they choose to see. Thank you.

Net Neutrality is important because it's basically everything. Without the Internet, what do we have? Today's society relies on the Internet for communication from family, friends. I use it for work. I use it for entertainment. I use it to buy things. I don't need an ISP telling me what I can and can't do. I don't need fast and slow lanes. I want to get the data that I pay for, and that's it. This is absolutely fundamental to our freedoms of communication, choice, and to free speech everywhere. I don't understand why this is an issue at all to begin with, and if we lose Net Neutrality, I don't even know where we're going to be, but it's not going to be a good place. Other countries have stood up for Net Neutrality, and we can't fall behind them. I implore whoever is in charge to keep Net Neutrality alive and to make sure that we have access to a free and open Internet without interference from corporations or private interests.

Chairman Pai, Net Neutrality is very important to me so that we have good service and that I am getting to choose myself what services I prefer. Please don't do this change back to type one. Thank you.

Hello. I would like to tell Chairman Pai that the Internet is an incredible part of our culture, and it needs to be protected. I can't even believe that we're thinking about going backwards, but there is a lot of heart and love in the world, and the Internet can support that. It's a tool. It's a tool that is needed to create a future that really benefits all people. I hope Chairman Pai understands that. Thanks.

Hi. My name is Maryanne. I want to remind Chairman Pai and the FCC to protect Net Neutrality. It is important to me, because it is fundamental to free speech. I don't want big companies to censor my voice and make it harder for me to speak online. I don't want the big Internet service providers control which services and content load quickly while others move slowly, which means big, rich guys can afford to buy their way in. Net Neutrality is fundamental to quality education, and without it, ISPs can block resources that compete with their offerings and affecting important research. I don't want ISPs deciding what I can and cannot watch, such as videos, cat videos or whatever. Please, Chairman Pai and the FCC, protect Net Neutrality. Please do something about this. Thank you.

Hi. This is Ted Page from southern California, and I'm very concerned about Net Neutrality. I want Net Neutrality. It is fundamental to free speech. It's fundamental to innovation. Don't take it away. We have to have Net Neutrality so that big companies can't just override everybody and

start charging for this and that and having favoritism and all the rest. Net Neutrality, it's fundamental to a healthy Internet.

Hi. I want to put in my support for Net Neutrality because of the great need that we have for information and education being available to everyone on the Internet, and for the opportunity for everyone to have equal Internet capabilities rather than only people who are able to pay high, excessive prices to be able to get the good Internet. We already pay for Internet, so it should be equal. I am a very big supporter of Net—thank you.

Chairman Pai, we're concerned about the Internet, what you are planning to do with the neutrality, where the rich get richer and the poor, those less fortunate have less options, and our First Amendment use of the Internet as far as our choices of what we choose to see or view or not to see or view should be up to us, just as our option and our First Amendment right to voice our opinions. For teachers and students, it is imperative that we have access to what we need, and no one should have the right to decide what is correct for us. Who are you to decide what is correct for us? If I choose to watch a certain something on the environment or technology, it's not up to you to decide how much I should be able to watch as freedom of speech and freedom of our liberty and the rest of our amendment rights. Please, reconsider. This is ridiculous.

Chairman Pai, when I go on the Internet, I want to be able to seek out as many answers as I can get wherever I want to look. I don't want to be told where I must look. I feel Net Neutrality is the First Amendment of the Internet. Please keep it that way. Thank you.

As someone who works for a smaller organization that relies on the Internet for both our business as well as my job, I think it's extremely important that we keep Net Neutrality alive so that larger organizations don't have the ability to muscle out smaller companies. Without Net Neutrality, I might not have a job anymore. Without Net Neutrality, my company might not be able to be as competitive with other organizations, even if we offer a superior product. Net Neutrality's extremely important to me for these reasons.

Hello, Chairman Pai. This is Dr. William Frances Kline. I have a doctorate in media and education, and I'm calling you to tell you that Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. It's fundamental to innovation. It's fundamental to quality education, and it's fundamental to a healthy Internet. Please do not take away Net Neutrality. We must protect it. Thank you.

Yes, I want you to keep Net Neutrality where it is currently. It's important to me to maintain the current equality we have in usage of the Internet. I do not want it changed.

Chairman Pai, my name is Clare Prowse. I live in San Francisco, and Net Neutrality is important to me because I want to see small businesses in the United States succeed, and they're not going to be able to do that if they're going to need a massive budget to be able to reach their audience.

As you know, San Francisco is the cradle for technology and innovation in the United States, and I think that our industry is going to come under attack and innovation is going to go out the window as small companies have absolutely no way to succeed from the outset. Thank you for considering my concerns.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Michael. I'm calling to ask you to make sure the FCC does its job, its job to protect people and not massive corporations with massive profit margins. I pay my ISP for a service which they provide extremely poorly, and I know why. I know how the Internet works. It costs them virtually nothing to give me access to unlimited bandwidth. That's not speed; that is how much data I can consume given the speed they say they give me but don't actually give me, because they overload their switches, because they oversell their product. The Internet is a basic human right. It is like the right to walk in the street and voice your opinion. It is your right to education and better living. Considering the fact that it doesn't cost them any money to give me access to as much as I can consume, it doesn't cost them any money to make sure that everything I try to consume is the same, I don't believe that they should be allowed to do this. I ask you to protect me as a person, and I also ask you to make sure that they can't just take my information and sell it to whoever they want, and they can't just manipulate my data and give me what they believe I should be seeing, because let's face it. If I'm not supposed to let government get too big because I can't trust my government, which I elected and pay for, with my information, how am I supposed to trust a business which doesn't work for me and only works to make its shareholders money? Thank you.

Hi. As an academic who does research, I absolutely depend on Net Neutrality for my democratic right to publish what the outcome of my research is without fear of appraisal, and I absolutely depend on Net Neutrality to not have my voice censored, so my expectation is as a public servant that you will serve the public and keep the net neutral and available democratically to all without allowing us to be or forcing us to be censored. Thank you.

Net Neutrality is really important for me as a small business owner. I need to be able to access the web and leverage my business against any of the giants who choose to strangle or to gate the information accessible to me. For internet users, for web developers, small business owners, Net Neutrality is a huge issue. Thank you for your support.

Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without Net Neutrality, big companies could censor your voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net Neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the Internet. My name is Louis Rappaport. I live at 10819 East Butherus Drive, Scottsdale, Arizona. My email is lrappaport416@gmail.com. Thank you.

Yeah, I can't understand why you want to hand control of the net to a bunch of big corporations. Of course, I should have known you're with the rest of the jerks in Congress, and that's democrats and republicans alike. They want to grab us by our throats and squeeze the life out of us. They're succeeding very well at that. You stop it. Good-bye.

Chairman Pai, absolutely do not gut Net Neutrality. We own and operate a small farm in southwest Iowa, and we finally, finally got access to unthrottled, unlimited Internet in 2106. This is decades after most of the United States took reliable, unlimited Internet for granted. For years, we fought with slow and unreliable Internet. We finally had an option for satellite Internet not too long ago, which we took. However, it is prohibitively expensive and prone to frequent bandwidth throttling, but thanks to a small enterprising Internet service provider, local, who was willing to put the dollars into infrastructure to serve underserved rural people like ourselves, we finally have unlimited, unfettered Internet access. It's wonderful, finally, after all these decades. This reliable, unlimited Internet allows us to reach our customers directly with our custom products like custom raised beef, chicken, and eggs. When our other commodities like corn and soybeans, their price goes south along with the Chicago Board of Trade, that's real important for us to be able to connect with our customers via Skype, Google Hangouts, and YouTube to give a personal touch to these custom products. Unlimited Internet has allowed us to finally do that. It also has allowed us to connect with our local schools to help educate our kids who otherwise wouldn't have any insight into how a farm works. It gives them a direct line into the workings of a farm. It helps their education immensely. Not only that, it helps their parents. Sometimes their parents have no idea how a farm works. We suddenly have a direct avenue to these kids, these underserved kids, because of this local Internet service provider who has provided us finally again in 2016 with unlimited Internet access. The idea of suddenly being subject to the same bandwidth issues we've struggled for decades to overcome really is disappointing to me. Net Neutrality is absolutely essential for a business like our own to survive. The idea that you and the current administration are thinking seriously about doing away with that really confirms to me that you're absolutely tone deaf and in need of replacing as soon as possible. Please, please, for the love, do not do away with Net Neutrality. Small businesses like ours in southwest Iowa, as a farm, helping our local community thrive despite all the obstacles we face, is very, very important, and Net Neutrality has allowed us to do this. Thank you.

Hi. I would like to voice my opinion on Net Neutrality. I am against it, because Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Net Neutrality is fundamental to innovation. Net Neutrality is fundamental to quality education. Net Neutrality is fundamental to a healthy Internet. Please do not vote for this to go away. We need the Internet to be free to all, not fast or slow to some, but free to all. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I'm calling in support of Net Neutrality. It is vital to preserve Net Neutrality to protect both the consumers and the providers of Internet content. It's vital to the preservation of the American way. Equal opportunity for all, not dominated by corporate interests. It protects the average American and their right to access the content they choose, to create the content they choose. Please preserve Net Neutrality forever.

Hello, Chairman Pai, this is [inaudible] in Fort Collins, Colorado, calling about Net Neutrality, and you want to keep your hands off of it. We need it for free speech. I don't want any big companies to censor my voice or speak for me. Leave it alone. It's doing great. Stay out of it. We need Net Neutrality to keep our freedom. Thank you very much. Bye.



Hello. My name is Roger Champine. I'm in Apex, North Carolina. I have a strong feeling about Net Neutrality and want to convey that I believe that open net and neutrality as it stands today is the best thing we have, and it's the strongest thing about the Internet. If we go backwards and start limiting and letting the media communications giants control this limiting, they will do just what they've done for decades with the telephone systems. If you can pay, you can have something up to date. If you can't pay, you can't have it. Everything right now points to an Internet that is a force for sharing all information across the globe. That's one way that you stop global control interests, which leads to wars. The Internet is more important than just getting a Google information site. It's important to the lives of the future generations that are dependent on a free world bank of knowledge to prevent more and more control and more and more wars over the future. That's all I have to say for now. Thank you.

Hi. My name is Hal Rogers. I am a software engineer, and Net Neutrality is important to me, because without it I probably wouldn't have a job. Over the years I've worked at several small Internet startups, which would not have been able to afford to operate under the new rules being pushed by Ajit Pai. The rules Ajit Pai wants to repeal ensure that these startups could offer their services at reasonable rates, at reasonable speeds without being forced to pay Internet service providers. Because of the positive impact Net Neutrality has had for my career and the careers of other engineers, I really oppose Ajit Pai's proposal to destroy regulations that protect the technology sector and the jobs it creates. Thanks.

Thank you for listening to my message. I'd like to be an individual who has Net Neutrality. It's very important. The important thing is having an individual voice and having my privacy respected. Thank you. This is Angela Rollins. Much appreciation. Have a good day.

Yes, first I want to say that Net Neutrality's one of the last bits of free speech and the rights of America. With Mobilism and with the Congress and the Senate and the corporations taking over everything, this is the last avenue where people can communicate and state what they think and what they feel, and they can get information about things. We don't want more government or more control. It's also important, I don't want to have things locked by ISPs to block things that I want to read and that I want to investigate. Please do not change the laws right now or ever. This is very important for our free speech, and it helps our awareness and everything else, so please, enough big government, enough control, enough surveillance. Leave things alone as they are. Thank you. Bye.

Mr. Pai, I believe Net Neutrality right now is the currently best option to actually give consumers everything they need. You want to get rid of it so that it will increase competition. If Google cannot break into the market, how is any other company going to actually compete with the currently entrenched ISPs? The only real option for increasing competition and helping to get the government out of it entirely would be local loop unbundling. Now, that might be unpopular in some ways, but it is the only way that we have seen in the real world. Whether it's in the U.K. or I believe Taiwan was another one, that they actually implemented it and then they, once they thought everything was competition friendly, then they backed off from the regulations. But that's

the only option to actually introduce competition into the market, and simply getting rid of Net Neutrality wouldn't solve anything. It would just make the currently unbalanced situation worse. Thank you for your time.

Hi, this is a message for Chairman Pai. Net Neutrality is one of the backbones of the country. It's like rural electrification. It's essential that you not do what you're doing. I voted for Trump, and I do not like this one thing that he's doing. Gutting Net Neutrality is a big mistake. Thank you.

Well, we certainly need to keep Net Neutrality. We need to think about the little guy and keep a level playing field, and I think it's very important that we keep the Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I'm calling today to urge the commission to leave the 2015 rules in place and support Net Neutrality. Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. It is the First Amendment of the Internet, and without these important rules, the country is at risk of a few large companies controlling or even censoring speech. Net Neutrality is fundamental to competition and economic growth, and the growth of the Internet in the past 40 years has been possible only because of the level playing field. If a handful of companies control access, we'll see a decline in economic growth as startup costs rise. Please scrap the proposal and leave the 2015 rules in place. Thank you.

Hey there, Pai. I just want to let you know why Net Neutrality is important to me. I care about Net Neutrality because the Internet is where I go to watch funny videos. Now, I consider that user choice, and so because of the user I choose to watch the funny videos or the stupid videos or the pornographic videos, that's up to me, and nobody should be able to tell me which one's going to load faster than the other. Really, all this boils down to is competition, because if I can't just start some company and get billions upon billions of dollars, then why would I even want to get on the Internet? While it doesn't make sense to me or anybody else, and then when you think about it from a free speech perspective, why would I even care if the companies who have corporate personhood are trying to make it where my cat videos don't load as fast? You see how that's an issue of free speech, right? I'm assuming you're going to do what's right and finally realize that it's not going to be that cool if everybody, if Net Neutrality breaks down. I mean, you would probably be cool; people at Verizon would think you're cool, but it wouldn't be cool to everybody else. Hopefully Mozilla doesn't edit or modify this file too much, but I hope that you're having a good day.

I think Net Neutrality is very important for the wider global economy, and as a global citizen, I vote against this. Since we live in a democracy, I think my vote counts.

The Internet should be free. It should be free for everyone. We shouldn't give up our privacy just for information. The information should not come with a lack of privacy. I believe that the Internet should be free for everybody, and not only free from attacking our personal daily lives, but also financially free. I think the world would be much better off that way. Thank you.



We shouldn't have to give up privacy for information.

Hi, this is Mr. Saraiya calling from Roselle Park, New Jersey, calling to express that Net Neutrality is fundamental to free speech. It is fundamental to competition. It is fundamental to innovation, and it is fundamental to user's choice. I hope you will keep the Net Neutrality as it is. Thank you.

Yes. I'm calling about Net Neutrality, and I'm really very, very concerned of the fact that this could be impeded by a change of the current situation. Net Neutrality is incredibly important for free speech, and I see it is a — if one gets involved in blocking Net Neutrality, innovation will be impeded. Net Neutrality is fundamental for everyone, and so I am totally against any impeding Net Neutrality, and I want to voice my opinion on that. Thank you.

Hi. My name is Paul Schlosser. I'm a resident of Cary, North Carolina, a U.S. citizen. I believe you should support and continue to keep Net Neutrality as it exists now. I think it's important for freedom of speech, Internet users to be able to access with equal ease all materials that they wish to get to. I think it's important for web developers and small businesses who may not be able to pay for better access and as it supports them over large corporations which have plenty of money. Also, I think that requiring people to show that they have not had equal access or been blocked or downgraded and then bring a lawsuit against a company is putting the burden upon those who most need Net Neutrality rather than putting the burden upon the Internet providers who should have no problem providing this. It's simply a matter of giving equal access to all. Thank you.

Hey, Chairman Pai. I think Net Neutrality's important because otherwise all the websites I use are going to be gone, and I won't be able to build new websites myself and make interesting things that people want to use, because everything that I do is going to be slow because I don't pay extra money to make my website faster. My name is Sean Neilen. I'm from Chicago, Illinois. Thank you very much for listening to this message.

Hi. I'm really worried about losing Net Neutrality and the impact that that's going to have both on education and innovation and small businesses. Those are avenues that don't have access to buy their way out of the restrictions that would come if Net Neutrality is lost. I hope that you take this into consideration and don't remove Net Neutrality. Thank you.

Hi, yeah. Net Neutrality is definitely important to me. I've been following this issue for years, and I've been hearing both sides of the issue. I do not understand how an unregulated Internet left to the corporations to do with what they want would be considered a free and open Internet, first off. I don't even think that we can say certain services and companies that are available now to us that have grown would have been around if companies like Time Warner, Verizon, Comcast, of all companies, had allowed them, had slowed their speeds or created special preferential

treatments to their own services. I also don't understand why no one thinks that corporations, businesses whose ultimate aim is their shareholders and bottom line would assume that the public interest is in their heart, when the reality is that they only serve the interests of their bottom line, which is just this common business practice. Chairman Pai had also mentioned that basic economics and about being basically how everything would be better off if it was not regulated by the FCC. I don't understand that at all. I want one that banks that up. I'm an economics major, and I have no idea what he's talking about. I've seen many interviews, and I disagree with a lot of what he's saying, and a lot of what he's saying is false, outright false. It's not backed up by facts. There is no evidence. He's just playing the part of a politician. I'm sure there's a certain level of politics involved, but we're not talking about politics right now. We're talking about Net Neutrality and protecting the free, open Internet. I am very much against this idea of leaving our Internet, a vital public resource, to the corporations in this country. Thank you.

Good morning, Chairman Pai. This is Stanley Solomon. I live in Lincoln, Massachusetts. I'm calling to urge you to and the FCC to retain the Net Neutrality rules that now exist because they are what prevent the big carriers from taking over control of the Internet. That would be rather drastic to most people who use the Internet. We understand, or I understand that there's an argument that certain users don't pay their way and that they take up much of the time but don't pay for it, and perhaps fairness would be regulated if—would be if they were regulated, but that may be, but the — abolishing Net Neutrality leaves the users at the mercy of less than a dozen people. That hardly seems reasonable. Do take my thought into consideration. Good-bye.

Chairman Pai, I'm a 68-year-old woman, a scientist studying human behavior. Since a young child, I was confused by the cruel violence of people in my culture towards those that they loved. In order to understand this, I devoted myself to science and then medicine, and more recently, understanding human health at a deeper level. Over this time, I've spoken with over 2,000 adults and children in a carefully designed interview that asked everyone the same questions. I learned that only life is holy; we see that holiness in the beauty of the Earth, the harmony of human health, and the miracle of the human child. Life begets life from the smallest living creature to the most powerful, but upsetting this balance, life's balance, by hurting the vulnerable for material gain is a sin, and it is unholy. Every human who commits this sin was once a frightened child. Those people who devise organized ways to hurt other people were all frightened babies. For this reason alone, their fear, they cannot understand the beauty of life, compassion, or mercy. Our country, the United States, is only the most recent in thousands of years of cruel violence devoted to creating wealth for the few at the expense of the many. Men fighting for freedom in our American revolution were fighting to protect life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. But the battles over victory declared they were given protection of what was defined as property. Violent protection of property backed up by sophisticated technology and words designed to tell lies is the most unholy of human pursuits. Healing is intrinsic to life, but to heal, we need to direct all our energy towards protecting the earth, health, and children. The open Internet is designed to be an open forum for words of truth and love. Net Neutrality is sacred. Its sanctity lies in its design for the words of honorable men and women who are not afraid of what is good.

Hello, Chairman Pai. Random American Internet citizen here. My name is Mark. I am for Net Neutrality. I do not run a company. I do not own a company, but I have many servers on the

Internet that are mine for my personal use. I extend services to myself and my family, not as an entity of a company, but as a private citizen. Defaming or destroying Net Neutrality basically ensures I won't be able to use the Internet for its intended purpose of allowing computers to connect to each other fairly, securely, and I won't be able to do my own personal activities that are not business-related on the Internet. The Internet isn't always about business. The Internet is not made by businesses. It is made by citizens and people around the world, and we need to have access to each other's servers and our own servers. Thank you.

To Ajit Pai and the FCC, Net Neutrality is essential to our individual freedoms in the modern world. I am greatly opposed to this coming up as an option again. Just wanted to voice my concern as a citizen.

Hi, Chairman Pai. My name's Keith. I'm a software engineer, and I think this is possibly one of the worst things that could happen to free speech, the Internet, and really society in general. If I were to look forward into the future and imagine a society where corporations and private entities controlled the digital space, controlled the Internet, this would probably be one of the stepping stones that I would picture as the root, the route to that world. I think above all and anything, we need to do this, and I think a lot of people will be very angry if we don't. Yeah. All right. Thank you. Bye.

Yeah, Chairman Pai. I'm a retired sailor for the United States Navy. When I retired, I didn't think the Internet was going to mean much to me. I was not familiar with computers. Over the last ten years, it has become so important to me that every day I use it for my banking, I use it for my investments, I use it to pay my bills, I use it for information of all sorts. When I travel, I have to get on to make my travel arrangements. It's very important to me in every aspect of my life, and I hope that you don't make me a second-class citizen in terms of Net Neutrality. Please maintain Net Neutrality for the sake of folks like me. Thank you.

Yes. This message is for Chairman Pai of the FCC. I want to voice my opinion to you. Actually, it's sort of a fact and a concern to you about the Net Neutrality vote that's coming up. I am a private contractor. I travel a lot and depend on the Internet to get my propositions and proposals to people quickly. I am not always in my office. I can't always pay for the fastest Internet contact. I'm at places like Extended Stay America and Motel 6, etc. Those Internet connections are slow. If the Net Neutrality gets abolished they'll become even slower. My concern is the continuation of the fact that I've already lost contracts because of bid proposals not getting to where they need to be on time. My job, my work, getting there first, getting there complete and accurate, is what has to happen. Otherwise, I can't work. The Net Neutrality vote, if it goes away, you'll be hurting me. You'll be hurting the middle class. You'll be hurting independent contractors like myself. This is a loss of employment. This is a loss to me. This is not what your boss, your campaign, and everything else said you would do for the middle class. Help. Please do not destroy, do not do away with Net Neutrality. It is my future. It is my ability to be employed that you're playing with, so please do not play with it. Take care. Bye.

Chairman Pai, your proposal to weaken existing net neutrality rules is unacceptable. It would weaken competition, stifle innovation, undermine user choice, and threaten free speech online. Please reconsider your position. Thank you.[a]

Net neutrality is important to me because it's my right. You need to leave things alone. I am a registered voter and I definitely will remember you. Leave net neutrality alone.

I'd like to call to support net neutrality. Without net neutrality, we'll have a continuation of plutocracy that's growing in this country, a lack of innovation, and a second class status for our nation down the line. Net neutrality is absolutely essential to preserving everything that makes America what it is and I support it unquestionably. Goodbye.

Net neutrality is very important to me. It's a basic part of free speech. If we let anybody take control of the dialogue going on on the internet, then we are going to lose the exchange of various ideas. Democracy is based on various ideas being heard and exchanged. I don't want to have it directed by somebody like Comcast or one, big corporation. It's really super important to me. My name is Susyn Tillery, I live in Narberth, Pennsylvania, and I vote. Thank you.

Net neutrality is very important to me. My privacy is very important to me. I believe this is a free country and I believe it should stay free. Thank you very much.

Hello, my name is Anthony Tonti, I live in Charlottesville, Virginia, and I'm very concerned about the proposed legislation to effectively neuter net neutrality. I'm a believer in First Amendment Rights and I think net neutrality is the equivalent of free speech in our country. I strongly argue against the possibility of legislating so that net neutrality is no longer afforded to us. Thank you.

Hi, I'm calling from Brooklyn, New York. Please save net neutrality. The internet is a resource, a tool, and it has no place being governed by corporations for profit. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I urge you - despite your current position - to spare net neutrality. The internet is the only place human beings truly enjoy equality. It doesn't exist in the face-to-face world, as you well know. The internet is a great equalizer and when you put too much power in the people who profit off of the operation of it, you're ruining it for all of humanity. It's not even just Americans who will be affected by this, the whole world will be affected by this. Please, you are going to be rich and powerful regardless. Your corporation, FCC, is powerful regardless. You will be rich and powerful for your entire life. Please let the rest of us just have one place where we can all stand on equal footing. Thank you.

I specifically support strong net neutrality, backed by Title II Oversight of internet service providers.

Huge traffic jam! Buying for YouTube, buying for Twitter, that's bullshit. The companies were made to let people communicate easily. Now you want it to go back to the bloody stone age? Net neutrality for life.

The internet should be treated as a public utility.

Chairman Ajit Pai, this is Balaji Virajpet and I absolutely support net neutrality. Without that, the internet would not have grown and wouldn't have prospered. I'd like to have the freedom to be able to access internet sites at my will rather than by the internet service provider. You may have some strange ideas [about] what it should be, but as a law-abiding, tax-paying citizen, I demand that the net be neutral and that the internet be for everyone.

Chairman Pai, I am a concerned citizen about net neutrality. I use the net for everything I do. It is my link to the outside world and I do not want my privacy compromised in any way. I do not believe that it should be taken away from us and I do not support your interest in having that changed. Thank you.

Hi, my name is Virginia, I live in California, I teach. It is extremely important for students to be able to research wherever they can find the data. It would not be fair for somebody with more money to make their data more available because their data is not necessarily more accurate. In fact, we're finding that people with a lot of money tend to hide accurate data because it doesn't help them, so that's extremely important. It's also a matter of free speech. I want the ability to communicate with whoever I want to communicate with. This planet is shrinking and the internet allows us to communicate fast. Nobody with money should be able to control that. We're all individual people, we all have our own abilities and our own strengths and we should be able to share them.

Chairman Pai, I cannot believe you are thinking in terms of changing the net neutrality that we have now. I don't want to have to go back to the cable company - which I got rid of because I hated them, because there was no choice, because it already has a monopoly, so I did what I could. Now you're trying to change the rules so that there's two tiers - as if that's not going to have an impact. I can't believe how backwards you're going on this. You've got to stop, you've got to rethink, you've got to understand what you'll be doing if you do that because you're ruining the internet. You're turning it into a class thing where the rich people and the rich companies get the best stuff and everybody else gets the rest of it. There's a lot of 'the rest of us' out here and we do not want that to happen because this is America and that is not what is supposed to happen here. We're supposed to have equal opportunity and you are not allowing equal opportunity when you do this. Thank you.

I am calling to comment on the FCC's proposal to undo the FCC's 2015 order to protect net neutrality. I believe that net neutrality is very important to us. I listened to Chairman Pai's explanation of the new proposal in which he twisted himself into a pretzel arguing that giving the large and powerful internet companies the right to dictate data speed was good for everyone. I am not convinced. I believe if the current proposal is adopted, the large and powerful companies will rule the internet and turn a thing which provides an even playing field into an entity that is used by the powerful to keep the rest of us unengaged. Net neutrality is essential. First of all, it's a First Amendment right, it's free speech. It is important for innovators and entrepreneurs to be able to access it at all times without having to worry about slow speeds. Net neutrality is also essential for teachers and students so that they can have ready access to all the necessary resources without having to pay an extra fee, so they won't be struggling to get content because of slow downloading speeds implemented by the ISPs or even blocking certain resources that compete with the company's content. This could be called censorship. This looks to me like a way to enrich a few already-large companies and disadvantage everyone else. The internet is not broken and it does not need this fix.

My name is Julia Wallace and I wanted to talk to you, Chairman Pai, about why net neutrality is important to me. It's fundamental to free speech. Without net neutrality, big companies could censor our voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the internet. Thank you and please consider net neutrality.

Net neutrality is very important. I even sent an impassioned letter to Tom Wheeler, the old chairman, about how much the internet meant to me and how it's foundational on freedom not by the corporation, but by the people. I'm sick of fighting this fight. We got the law passed because everyone wanted the internet this way and now, you want to disregard us all and turn it back into profit for corporations. That's not ok. We want the internet, we want net neutrality, leave it alone.

My name is Karen. I'm from Brunswick, Ohio. I support net neutrality because I believe it's fundamental to free speech, which is in conjunction with the First Amendment and the Constitution. That's my reason for net neutrality. Please pass this on to Chairman Pai.

I urge your vote to protect net neutrality. The internet has become an integral part of our lives. Online Only is a common source for issuance and renewal of licenses for professionals and businesses, payments, applications. Internet access is crucial for the conduction of business, for individuals as well as small and large businesses. The lack of reliable, efficient internet access can impact sales and reduce tax revenue to the government. An example is the recent internet interruption at Amazon; this is one of many reasons that net neutrality must be protected.

We need to keep net neutrality the way it is, keep the big business people and big internet service providers out of it, and keep everything flowing the way it is so that regular users and small business people aren't punished for it. We need to keep it the way it is.

Net neutrality is nonsense. Leave the internet alone.

Hello, Chairman Pai. Please remember that we, the little men, need protection. Also, when you think of the millions that have been made by big companies, it's usually the little men, the working men, that allow these companies to be where they are. Please protect the millions of internet users who are unable to compete with the big bosses. Thank you.

My name is Elizabeth Keith and I definitely want to voice my opinion on all this stuff. That's crazy. What happened to freedom of speech? Privacy is lost in the sauce. In the 60s, didn't they sing about it? Didn't they scream about it? Make a major uproar about it? And here we are, 2017, and everything is going exactly the way that the 60s said it shouldn't go. Alright, thank you so much. Our number is (770) 568-0431.

Hello, Chairman Pai. I would like to make sure that you maintain net neutrality so that all providers of internet information have equal access and that all customers have equal access to that information from all of the different providers - not just the ones who can afford to pay the extra fees. Thank you.

I am in support of net neutrality. I think it's fundamental to free speech. Without net neutrality, big companies could control our access to information. I'm also already paying for the internet and I'm paying my cable company a very good price for internet service. They do not need additional revenue from other companies. It's also unworkable for them to try to have a fee system for every website out there. It would also be absolutely horrible for small businesses.

I'd like to formally state that net neutrality is a very important thing on the internet. It stops larger, more powerful, well-funded interests from manipulating the things that you see and the pace that you see them. It's a very important part of the internet. It stops the largest corporate interests from deciding and railroading other interests out completely. It also keeps internet speeds available for everyone at the same pace. It's a very important concept that is not often paid attention to until it's threatened - like now. Please keep the internet free, available, and accessible to all.

I just wanted to express my view that net neutrality it's incredibly important for the further development of American businesses and for general American prosperity as well as a global indicator. America sets the general consensus for how the internet should be used for the world and having a neutral net in America leads to a world where information is freely accessible. There is no scenario in which a lack of net neutrality will lead to prosperous business ventures. It'll only lead to more monopolization of who profits and who doesn't. Having an equal and opportunistic playing ground where people can easily put something up and have others access it is incredibly important for the development of small and medium-sized businesses. Furthermore, it allows information to be more accessible. Once you start limning how information can spread, you



influence a certain type of censorship that is really against American values. I have not heard a single pro-removal of net neutrality argument that seems to have anyone benefiting other than the few cable companies and the few winners who have the money to land viewable websites, such as [inaudible 0:01:26] an ecosystem. I really hope that you support net neutrality and continue to vote on bills that will lead to protecting net neutrality in the future. Have a good one.

Net neutrality is the keystone on which the entire internet stands. Any threat to it should be taken seriously and not ignored at all. The main point of net neutrality is that anyone can have a voice on the internet and anyone can become something big on the internet. Chairman Pai is protecting the interests of large corporations and ISPs who do not have the consumers' interests at heart and they have shown this multiple times. Let's keep net neutrality the way it is. It should be classified as a public service and nothing more. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, please strive to make the internet more equally accessible for all users. Don't encourage or allow money for special access practices or laws. Free markets are great, but they really only exist in a free society. A free society without equal access to mediums of communication is not really free. The larger good is served by keeping the internet neutral. Thank you very much. This is [inaudible 0:00:29] Harper in Columbus, Indiana.

I want to leave my opinion about net neutrality and it's in jeopardy right now. Net neutrality is fundamental to free speech. It is the most important thing to me. It is also fundamental to innovation. It is important that the big guys who run things give an opportunity to the small people. Net neutrality is basic to quality education. Net neutrality is just important to a healthy internet, to one where small people can have the same access to opportunity as the huge guys. Thank you.

Hi, my name is Rodney and I live in Columbus, Ohio. I want Chairman Pai to know that I do not want the net neutrality FCC 2015 order changed. I don't want it changed because of my concern for internet users. Net neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without net neutrality, big companies could censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. Also, for teachers and students, net neutrality is fundamental to quality education. Without it, ISPs could block resources. They compete with their own offering, letting them choose the sources that the students can use for research, perhaps, based on who is willing and able to pay for an extra fee. Leave the 2015 net neutrality order alone. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I'm calling you because I believe that net neutrality is extremely important for the American people. Number one, it's fundamental to our free speech. I hope you understand that; it's very important in that regard. And two, it allows a lot of small businesses to create new ventures which will provide income and work for people. And three, it's a superb educational device. It should not be penalized. Once again, Chairman Pai, I am for net neutrality. It is extremely important, not just to me, but to my children and to the American people. Thank you.



Chairman Pai, my name is Jay Ollivier. I'm a small business man in Austin, Texas. I have both a local service business and an online product business. I am very concerned that you're thinking about retracting on net neutrality. It's fundamental to free speech, it's absolutely fundamental to me as a small business owner, it's fundamental to a quality education, and the general public. I'm asking you to please not overturn net neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I think the internet is working perfectly fine and I don't understand why you want to make changes that are going to affect many people's lives for the worse. I think you need to rethink this and leave it alone. Why fix it if it's not broken?

Hi, this is Jerry Lavigne, I live in Hanover, New Hampshire, and I'm calling to support the issue of net neutrality. It is fundamental to free speech and without it, large companies such as Google, Verizon, etc. will have a choice in what they provide to me. I urge you to continue net neutrality. Thank you.

Hi, my name is Laura Plesner, I'm from Suffern, New York, I work at a college, and I'm calling to please ask that you do not adversely affect the current net neutrality that we enjoy. It's fundamental to the quality of education. We don't want any internet service providers blocking resources that compete with their offerings or preventing us from choosing sources for research and so forth. I don't want to pay an extra fee for things that are available now and I want to have the same freedom that I enjoy on the internet now. Please do not let the big corporations take over and ruin net neutrality. Once again, Laura Pleaser, New York, zip code: 10901. Thank you.

My name is Wes. I live in Arizona, and net neutrality is very, very important to me. The typically-worst associations I've ever been associated with as a resident and a consumer are the cable companies. To give them control of the internet speeds would just be ludicrous. You must not do that. Keep net neutrality. Thank you.

Net neutrality is fundamental to free speech. Without net neutrality, big companies can censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. Net neutrality is fundamental to innovations. Without net neutrality, big internet service providers can freeze out small businesses by charging for faster content. Without net neutrality, ISPs can block resources that compete with their own offerings, letting them choose what's available based on who's willing to pay more. Please keep net neutrality.

Chairman Pai, my name is Candice Burger and I live in Tennessee. I happen to be in a city where I can probably continue to get really good services as long as I want at whatever speed I want, but there are many people in this community - especially students - who are desperate to have access to adequate education. In Tennessee, that doesn't necessarily mean from our public system. They absolutely have to have ways of getting information and this revocation of net neutrality would cut them out of getting the information in a way that most people do. We all know that when that happens, the squeeze on the slower services will just get worse and worse. And the cost will go

higher and higher - not that we don't see that already with cable companies. Of course we do, they keep squeezing the costs up and up and cutting the people who need this the most out. I can't even believe this is being considered. Many people care a lot about businesses and their access to the resources to continue to build this country; that's the big thing now, isn't it? This would really limit that a lot. I am stunned that we would even consider cutting out small businesses because eventually the big guys fail. It may take a while, but it'll happen and we need people who are able to step into the fray and build new companies. There are many reasons why this is just obscene and it seems like a power play by the big money. I would hope that you could find some way to stand up with a little moral fiber to the possibility of making this kind of inequality the rule of the land. Thank you for listening.

Chairman Pai, net neutrality guarantees a level playing field for all internet users. This has been the standard, the bedrock on which the internet has been based since its inception: equal opportunity for everybody. Now you want to change that so that rich people and corporations get to have better access over the people. The FCC, your mandate, is to provide for the American people not for the corporations. Like you did with digital radio, that was supposed to be for everybody, but you decided that you wanted the American to make money off of it. Well, we didn't make any money off it, we paid through the nose for it! You're an idiot. The FCC is doing what it's not supposed to do. It's supposed to be protecting the interests of the American people. That's your mandate, that's your job. Do your job. John Wickham.

Net neutrality is very important to me because I think we have enough control on us as it is. I think that the control that the Trump administration - that I voted for - is getting rid of are very important regulations. I'm afraid that if we don't keep net neutrality in place, we are going to end up with an internet that is very similar to North Korea. I don't like throttling and I think you have a real conflict of interest here. There are so many things that I want to say, but I have to be polite.

Hello, Chairman Pai. It's becoming difficult to call this wonderful country of ours the Land of the Free. Please help us maintain our First Amendment and keep internet neutrality. Please don't overturn neutrality. We need to feel like we're still the Land of the Free. Please help. Thank you.

Hi, Chairman Pai. My name is Anne and I live in Maine. Two years ago, the FCC passed rules protecting net neutrality. The FCC needs to continue to protect net neutrality, not get rid of it. As an internet user, I should have the same ability to use the internet as any other individual or cooperation. If the founding fathers knew about the internet, it would have been included in the First Amendment as part of the right of free speech. Please do not work to overturn and get rid of net neutrality. It's a right that all of us should have. Thank you.

I would really like to see net neutrality preserved, especially since it is a way that you can have equal access to the internet and so that larger providers will not have an advantage over smaller providers. As a business owner, I need the same access as large corporations do. Thanks so much.

Net neutrality is the fundamental principle of free speech, sometimes referred to as the First Amendment of the internet. I want you to protect net neutrality please. Thank you.

I'm a small business owner and I believe that net neutrality is fundamental to innovation. Without net neutrality, I can't compete with big businesses. I can't curry favor with the internet service providers. If my content doesn't load quickly because I can't pay and bribe the cable company, who I can't even get out to install my cable in a timely manner, I can't bribe them or cajole them into distributing my content. I think it's tragic, I think it's awful. I can't believe that net neutrality is rearing its ugly head again and we're going to give the cable companies that big of a stick to ram up our ass. The big boys will win, the little guys will lose, and that's not what America's about. Please don't make this mistake. Thank you.

I'm calling about net neutrality. It's really important to me, it's like free speech. I don't want big companies to water down the internet. It should be open to everyone. I feel very strongly about this. Speed should be the same whether you're a small business or a giant business and it is part of America to have free speech. I want it to remain neutral. Thank you.

Net neutrality ensures fast access to my patient's data so that I can better serve them as their physician. It also maintains a healthy business climate for the United States.

Chairman Pai, it's time that the government got out of the way and stop with the censorship. This is one of the many ways that you're trying to silence us and we will not be silenced any further. Let that be a warning. The natives are getting restless. Leave it alone.

Dear Chairman Pai, net neutrality is very important to us as a principle. Not only because it's the so-called First Amendment of the internet, but because the net really should be treated as a public utility. It's important that everyone get the same download speed. I think that pretty well sums it up. We would very much appreciate it if you would continue the tradition set by the former FCC chairman and continue with net neutrality. Thank you very much. Take care.

My name is Rory McClain and I am a registered voter. I think it's extremely important that net neutrality be maintained. It would be a terrible thing to have the big companies dominate the internet at the expense of the small companies. Innovation is extremely important, as is competition. Ending net neutrality would tend to bring monopoly to the internet or at least reduce competition and that would be a very bad thing.

Net neutrality is important because without it, large companies will receive preferential treatment on the internet.

Chairman Pai, I vote Republican, and net neutrality is serious business. It's the way we get real, not fake, media news. Please, please support net neutrality. I've voted Republican all my life. This is about free speech and getting honest, real news and away from the fake news that President Trump talks about out there. We need net neutrality. Please support us, please support him in this effort. Thank you.

I'm calling to express my concern about maintaining net neutrality to Chairman Pai. I think it's absolutely required and central to maintaining a healthy internet and opportunities for me as an individual and a small business owner. I can't emphasize enough how important I think this is. Thank you for your consideration and I expect you to do everything you can to support continued net neutrality. Thank you. Leslie Pritchett.

Hi, my name is Chad from Champion, Pennsylvania, zip code: 15622. I am calling to let Chairman Pai know that net neutrality is very important to me. I think we need to maintain it to ensure equal access of the internet to everybody, not paid for for higher speeds and things that would come along without net neutrality. I want to make sure that the internet stays a free and publicly available resource to everyone equally. This is very important to me and I believe it's fundamental to our freedom of speech. Keep protecting people's rights by maintaining net neutrality. Thank you.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Maryanne Goldstein and I live in Colorado. I'd like to tell you what is important to me about net neutrality. First and foremost, as small business owners, I know a lot of small business owners and web developers and this would be disastrous for them. On that basis, it's a huge issue. Also, for average internet users, the freedom of speech is an issue. Thank you.

This is Josh Ols, I'm a resident of Indiana, and I'm expressing my support of net neutrality. Not just because, frankly, the ISPs made a deposition to be as abusive as possible with whatever they can get away with will likely ratchet it up once you try to remove net neutrality and let them manipulate our data and the speed of it however they want, but also because of the fact that this fight has been fought before with the telecoms. You're going to ultimately lose no matter what you do. You may roll it back for now, but we will come back and we will reinstate it and you will be remembered with contempt. Enjoy whatever little victory you're likely going to have when you ignore all of our pleas and try to undo net neutrality. We're coming back. You'll see.

As an educator, net neutrality is important to me because I think that teachers, school districts, administrators, and the students themselves should be able to choose what to look up on the internet. I don't think it should be restricted by corporations who own the wires. Thanks.

Hello, my name is Christina. I used to be a teacher and I know how important net neutrality is, not just to me as a person, but in my former career. So many educational supplements were blocked to us simply because there were other people trying to buy us out or make teachers like

me pay an extra fee just to use services that I could have gotten either for free or for less in a different area of the internet. I feel that it's unfair, not just to the teachers who want to use these supplements, but to the students who may not have resources otherwise except for through the teacher or through the school. Also, as a person, I enjoy the freedom of speech online. I don't want to be silenced. In this day and age, there are very few people in very few places who do not rely on the internet in some way, shape, or form. By getting rid of net neutrality, you're not making me want to use this resource more, you're making me want to use it less. I don't want to be bombarded with people who could care less about me and my own concerns, but try to get something out of me instead and get upset at me if I do not. Please keep net neutrality safe. If we lose net neutrality, all the rest of our rights - especially as Americans - are just going to go down the tubes. This is the first step. Please, be responsible. Thank you so much for listening and have a wonderful day.

Chairman Pai, I'd like to tell you that I think big companies have enough power without their selfish interference on the internet - which I believe will happen. I want you to not undo the so-called FCC's 2015 order on net neutrality. As I'm just an individual person out here, I'm not a big company with a lot of money to lobby for what I want, I feel like I have very little power other than placing a phone call and making my wishes made clear to those in power. You, Chairman Pai, are in a position to leave the FCC's 2015 order on net neutrality in tact. Thank you very much.

Net neutrality is important to me because I don't want the government telling me what I can do or say online. Thank you for taking on this cause.

Chairman Pai, I feel that if we drop net neutrality, things will become very unfair for poor Americans who can't pay high internet fees that corporations will demand. For them, the same mechanism took place when televisions stopped being free and higher and higher prices had to be paid for them. Poor Americans didn't get to watch anything but advertising, pure advertising, on television - which was the only television available to them - and they remained uninformed. Don't let this happen. Keep net neutrality. Thank you very much.

Net neutrality means that companies that I pay can't dictate to me how my traffic is tracked or sent across the internet. If these individuals are allowed to do so, it constitutes a limitation of my ability to be able to express myself vis-à-vis, the First Amendment. In addition, I would greatly appreciate being allowed to not have to worry about someone monitoring and sending all that data to whoever they choose. I'd like to be involved in that because in today's age, that information is private, much like information that governs telecoms and their ability to send out who I call and do not call - unless someone is paying you to act in a certain way, which I think is not fair in terms of your ability to unbiasedly support and represent me, or unless, of course, that means that you're only out to shell for a corporation, which would be rough. I greatly appreciate your time and understanding.

Hello, I'm calling to support net neutrality and ask that it be continued at the federal level and beyond. Net neutrality is fundamental to free speech and open competition on the market today. We would not have the great power the United States is today if internet were monopolized by a few companies. Please keep that open for our competition and greatness to continue.

This is Donna and I would like to express my concern to Chairman Pai regarding losing net neutrality. It is extremely important to me and others that I know as well as anyone that believes in net neutrality to maintain this. Once again, the public is being threatened by big, corporate entities and I don't particularly care for that. Hopefully Chairman Pai is more interested in protecting people's rights that makings sure that corporate entities have access to information that I don't particularly want shared with them. Once again, thank you. I do believe in net neutrality and certainly would hope that it won't be taken from us.

It's the FCC's job is to protect the interests of the American people, not those of private industry. This move to weaken net neutrality is a clear grab at trying to give businesses more advantage in the marketplace as far as controlling content and its ease of availability to the American people. Do not weaken this piece of legislation because it's there for a good reason. I'm not sure what your interests are or who's backing you, but a little bit of research should make that clear and evident. Better look into it. Your job is to protect the interests of the American people. Remember that. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I wish to support net neutrality and believe that 17108 should not pass as it is being proposed. I believe that net neutrality is a key piece to free speech as well as thriving the economy.

Hello, Chairman Pai. I am a user of the internet and I am a supporter of net neutrality. I would just like to express my concern regarding one issue of it and that is the issue of having ISPs able to throttle down internet speeds based upon two major issues. From a consumer point of view, I do not want them throttling down my access to videos, music or other functions like that because of my usage. I want a net neutrality environment that would support my usage at any level. Secondly, from the other side, I don't want an ISP to control a vendor, who is providing a service, that is competitive with other vendors - such as music streaming and those kinds of activities. In these scenarios, there is unfair competition between the providers of these services because an ISP was treating them differently. I support net neutrality and want you to keep it under Title II and support it. Thank you. My name is Stephen.

Hi, Chairman Pai. Net neutrality is extremely important for the fairness of business and for protecting consumers from corporations that want to manipulate their customers into choosing their services over other services. It's also extremely important to me as an entrepreneur for people to be able to start businesses and not have a huge hole to climb out of to fight against people who can pay for faster services. Net neutrality is extremely important and I urge you to protect it, not remove it.

Hi, my name is Kyle, I live in Berkeley, California. I'm an entrepreneur who runs a small business that is an internet startup and relies entirely on an open and freely accessible internet in order to succeed. If I had to pay Comcast or other larger organizations in order to get my site served, then there's no way we would have survived. I am strong favor of net neutrality. Thank you for listening.

Hi, I work for a small company which does data science consulting. We go through a lot of data. Getting rid of net neutrality would only cause prices for us to go up and I don't understand why getting rid of the protection that small businesses rely on would be beneficial for the U.S. economy. Thank you.

As we enter the fourth industrial revolution, net neutrality is critical to maintaining individual autonomy in a free and open society. Chairman Pai, do not gut net neutrality.

My name is Steve. I've been an educator in higher education for about twenty years. Net neutrality is imperative at least in the continuation for use of internet for educational values. It's hard to believe that there would be so many needs to restrict getting rid of net neutrality. Regarding increased speeds and fundamentally leaving the throttling of the internet to business or having centralized some sort of decision to throttle someone's internet is a real impediment to education. Please, please don't vote to end net neutrality or even restrict it. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, keep net neutrality as a law of the land. You don't know what you're doing.

Our humble, Chairman Pai. Please keep the previous net neutrality status. Keep the net open and even for all users. I want to decide what I watch and when I watch it. It's bad enough that they have the throttling and there's very few competitors in the market. They're all making all kinds of money, and I don't begrudge them, but please don't change this in their favor. Thank you.

Keep the internet truly open, please. Please support the little guys.

Please stand up for the little guys and gals and please don't put us behind the profits of mega-corporations that already have near monopolies. Thank you.

This message is for Chairman Pai. The internet and, more specifically, the neutrality of the internet is critical to workers in the information technology field.



Non biased routing is critical to the success of startups on the internet. I hope you'll reconsider your efforts to remove net neutrality protections put in place by Wheeler. These protections are important to support a stable and impartial internet. Thanks for your consideration.

Mr. Pai, I believe that net neutrality is extremely important, not for me, but for all of America. It is entirely imperative that you retain our freedom of speech and the ability to have a life that is not solely for the benefit of companies that can profit off of what we do. Pure and simple, that's it. Please, I urge you, do the right thing. Thanks.

I'm from New Hampshire and net neutrality is important to me because it's important for our First Amendment of the internet. In other words, our [inaudible 0:00:21]. The internet, it's our First Amendment. Let it be, keep it for us all, not just for the big corporations. They got enough money, they really do. Speak up for everyone. Net neutrality is that important. We can't lose it. Thank you.

Net neutrality is important because we should decide what's important to go over the internet, not the broadband providers. Save net neutrality.

Good day to you, Mr. Chairman. My name is Neil Ray and I'm a user of the internet almost daily. I wanted to encourage you to consider continuing with net neutrality because the internet is intrinsic to daily life. I believe that everybody should have the same quality access and be able to visit websites and have the speed that is useful to them without having to pay any exorbitant pricing. I would appreciate it if you would consider these comments. I hope you have a great day. Thank you for your service.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Christopher MacDonald. I am calling in regard to the actions you're taking to dismantle net neutrality. I want to let you know that as a citizen of this country and as para-educator and trainer that I recognize the importance of protecting net neutrality, not only as a fundamental right according to the U. N., but also with regard to our Bill of Rights here. It is fundamental to free speech. Additionally, you run the risk of major conglomerate coming together and stifling innovation and pushing the smaller competitors out of the way. Beyond that, I also don't appreciate the idea of having an internet of have and have-nots and having my content controlled by a third-party internet service provider who will determine what I can and cannot see. We settled this a couple years ago and, frankly, I am disgusted that we are back at this point. I understand you have a specific agenda due to our infamous President Trump, but you're not going to hand it over to big companies. It's not going to happen. We're going to keep fighting, we've been fighting it for years and years and years, we're going to keep fighting, we're not going anywhere. You'll be out of a job when we're done with this fight.

Chairman Pai, please do not remove net neutrality. It is critical for innovative business development and it also allows us to have unfettered access to all the things available by this next generation of technology. It should be viewed as fundamental infrastructure, which is majorly

important to the United States, not as a tool to allow business simply to increase profits. I hope you take this message seriously and have a wonderful day.

Hello, this is Jennifer Andes and I'm calling because net neutrality is critical to our democracy. Everyone should have access to it. This country is founded on equality for all and we want to continue that. Every other advanced country in this world, I believe, allows net neutrality. We need to keep the net open, free, and private for people in this country. It's very, very important that this continues. You are looking at doing another gouging of the American people. We are not the corporations' piggy bank. We are not a resource to be harvested. We are the American people and we deserve to have the things we want and should have [without] having corporations take all of the power. It is just wrong. I want net neutrality to continue. The poorest among us, the middle class, all of us can use it. Nobody can make a huge profit and gouge the American people like they do with the medical drugs and equipment. It's very important that communication be as free and equal as possible in this country to maintain our democracy. As I said, it is founded on the equality of all people before the government, before the law. Corporations are businesses and they do not have the right to treat us as a natural resource they can harvest. We are not their piggy bank, we are not to be gouged. That is what will happen if net neutrality rules are taken away. It is very important that we keep them. Thank you.

Preserving net neutrality is absolutely vital to my livelihood. I'm a small business owner and I rely on the fair flow of data and information of the open internet. Even independent of my position as an entrepreneur which, may I remind you, is the lifeblood of the American economy, it is insane to jeopardize net neutrality for everyone's voice to be heard without prejudice.

Chairman Pai, listen. It's democracy at stake. We already have enough threats to democracy from the corporate elite. These are troubling times and you will go down in history for your actions. I strongly encourage you to side with democracy and recognize that when corporations rule us all, it's slavery, not freedom. That's what history is going to remember about this time and your role in it. Please make a decision. Side with democracy, side with freedom and you'll historically take your role as one of the good guys instead of just another douche.

I'm concerned about changes to net neutrality laws because net neutrality, to me, is free speech - which is an important part of our national identity. I oppose changing net neutrality. Thank you.

I think net neutrality is important because it's democratic and we need democracy.

Dear Chairman Pai, it's time to support net neutrality. The larger corporations will have the opportunity to throttle back the smaller people who are trying to stream audio or stream video and turn it into a revenue machine so that they'll be able to sell faster package speeds. Please support our net neutrality, it's been the law for two years. Thank you.

My name is Tom out of Cary, North Carolina. I wanted to voice my opinion that we need to keep net neutrality and prevent the large cable companies from taking over control on throttling and traffic. A primary example of this is in my own state. The town of Wilson is a sub-metropolitan town, sort of a suburban town, and they could not get the cable companies to run any cable lines to their city for their citizens. This occurred for almost two decades. They then ran their own ethernet lines and gave it to all of their citizens at a nominal fee. This worked really well for the citizens and the city and it was not a cost break. They still tried to convince the cable companies to hook on, to take over the lines, etc., and they would not. However, the local cable companies in North Carolina did go to our state senate and they got legislation passed. At first, they tried to punish the city of Wilson for this, but they couldn't get that passed. Then they passed legislation saying that no cities in North Carolina could enact their own telecommunication system. That clearly shows that large companies and our government can't really be trusted to help the people out when they really need it. I really want to make sure that the FCC continues to maintain net neutrality so that everybody who gets onto the internet has a free and clear experience for the price that they have paid and not that it's mixed in with content providers. Again, my name is Tom out of North Carolina. I wish to keep net neutrality. Thank you.

Chairman Pai, I urge you to [inaudible 0:00:02] the ISPs of Title II Oversight. This is the only way to guarantee net neutrality. At this point, internet service is no different than any other utility and should be regulated for the good of the consumer.

I support net neutrality because I support a fair, open internet.

Hello, my name is Eva. I am very much in support of net neutrality because I think it's fundamental to our free speech. Without it, big companies could censor my voice and make it harder to speak up online. I count on being able to speak up online a lot. Net neutrality has been called the First Amendment of the internet. Please support net neutrality.

Hi, my name is Scott Brackett and I am a voting citizen in Austin, Texas. I wanted to make it known that as a member of this society, I'm not comfortable with the amount of control that is granted to corporations regarding what content is accessible without net neutrality. I'm asking you to please preserve net neutrality and don't dismantle it. Freedom of speech is important and I don't think that if priority of content delivery is given as a choice instead of guaranteed as a right we'll be able to protect that. Thank you.

Hi, my name is Courtney Gibbons. I'm a math professor at Hamilton College. Net neutrality is very important for what I do and for fair and equitable access to information and streaming time on the internet. Without a fair and open internet, I would have a hard time collaborating with mathematicians across the country, I would have a hard time FaceTiming my parents and letting them see their grandkids, there are a lot of things that I would lose without net neutrality. I urge you very strongly to keep the internet open and neutral. Thanks again.

Hello, Chairman Pai. This is Chris. I wanted to express my views that I am against any restrictions on the way net neutrality is currently managed. I strongly object to the fact that all the regulations that are being put in place to ensure net neutrality are being removed. I think it is very important to ensure that we have net neutrality considering how a lot of the current modern day multinational innovative companies have grown up in an era which allows them to access the internet equally and allowed customers to access their websites equally without any restrictions. If these protections are taken away from new companies, they will not have an equal playing field going into the future and we may miss out on some very innovative companies because of such restrictions. As soon as you remove net neutrality requirements, it becomes all about profits for the cable companies and internet companies. They really don't care who is providing the [inaudible 0:01:30], they will only care about who pays them the most. It's very important that net neutrality is maintained in the future. Thank you.

I am in big support of net neutrality. I think that innovation is at the [inaudible 0:00:08]. Big companies cannot impede that, so keep your hands off, [inaudible 0:00:16] control of the internet, and allowing other companies to grow I think is the best way to do it. Otherwise, you're going to stifle innovation, business startups, and really ruin the experience for end users like myself. Please keep up this fight, it's a very important fight that needs to continue during this administration. Thank you very much. My name is Spencer Hamilton.

The only people who oppose net neutrality is Google and the like so that they can prevent the next Google from coming up. I want the next Google to have that. I vote for net neutrality.

Unfortunately, broadband companies, if given the opportunity, will try and make more money. They'll do this in a multitude of different ways. Certainly one way is to create different levels of assets. Much would have strong net neutrality regulations and rules. Unfortunately, with some companies, some people are at a disadvantage where they won't have the same access to fast internet as others. Access to fast internet is shown, through research, to be a great equalizer when it comes to education, opportunity, and class. Make sure we continue Title II of net neutrality.

Chairman Pai, my name is Stacy Wissler and I'm calling about this net neutrality decision because I feel that it is fundamental to free speech. It's my right to be able to explore the internet, interact with people from other countries, get an education, [and] find information that I'm looking for. It's fundamental to innovation. A lot of things that I do for my job now are going on the web and keeping it free is important to my small business. It allows for me, when I do volunteer work with schools, to provide a) access and b) better education for our children. I'm pleading with you to keep the internet free and protect people, not companies or corporations. Don't censor, don't allow big companies to censor or block or minimize my rights or the rights of others to this. It is truly one of the most important utilities that we have. Just like water, electricity, and gas, this line of communication, this avenue of exchanging ideas, being innovative, building, and creating is critical to small businesses like mine and to be able to connect and reconnect with people. Please keep it free. Thank you.

Net neutrality is important to me because it is like the First Amendment of the internet. Also, net neutrality is very fundamental to innovation. Without net neutrality, big internet service providers can choose which services and content load quickly and which ones move at a very slow pace. In the teaching area, ISPs can block resources that compete with their own offerings and that would not be good for students. Please do not let this happen. Thank you.

As a veteran small business owner, I believe net neutrality must be protected at all costs.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Mike Wozniak from Florida. I've been watching the net neutrality issue come and go and I'm appalled that there are people that want to take away net neutrality. I think it opens the door to many changes into the openness of the internet that we utilize and enjoy today. I hope that you will support keeping it in place. Thank you.

Hello, Chairman Pai. My name is Elijah and I wanted to let you know that as a concerned, voting United States citizen, net neutrality is very important to me. Making sure that every single user of the internet and content creator of the internet has the same internet is of the utmost importance to me. I honestly believe that it's only achieved through government regulation of internet service providers. Please keep that in mind when you vote. This is an important issue to me, this is an important issue to all my friends, it's an important issue to people that don't even know that it's called net neutrality. I want you to keep that in mind as someone who is in a unique position to improve the state of net neutrality, maintain the state of net neutrality, or hopefully not reduce the state of net neutrality. Please keep that all in mind. Thank you for listening, I appreciate it. Thank you for your time. Have a nice day.

Hello, I'm calling in support of the net neutrality bill. I am aware, having traveled to other countries, that this country, the United States, is sorely behind in the provision of affordable high bandwidth internet. The changes that are proposed in your administration will cause that to be even worse. I'm calling to register my concern that net neutrality will be compromised or eliminated by your changes.

Net neutrality is important to me because in the 21st century, it seems that the way to get a job is on the internet and if net neutrality is abolished, we won't have access to that. Please protect net neutrality. It's probably one of the best things that we have together as citizens. Thank you.

Please protect net neutrality as this is the First Amendment of the internet. Thank you very much, a concerned American.

I'm a teacher. Net neutrality is critical to everything I do with low-income kids on the southside of Chicago.

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