The Internet has been America's greatest innovation and contribution to the free world in the last few decades. Any revenue gained by turning the Internet into a turn style is not worth the adverse and stifling effects that would be created.

Many have speculated how the Internet will look and evolve without these protections; one possibility is that it will look similar to Portugal’s, where they have to pay for individual sites. I urge you to consider that this would be a disaster to a free market society. Consumers will become even more insular and close-minded, as they will only pay for their preferred sites with self-reflecting ideologies. Those who do not have sufficient funds will be systemically perpetuating their own intellectual demise, never able to explore new knowledge.

As for new Internet innovations, this would stifle any would-be creation future Americans might come up with. This repeal would be canonizing the already established YouTubes, Facebooks, and Twitters of the world -- making it much harder for new innovations to come to fruition for the betterment of our society. Unfortunately in today’s day and age there is no reason a consumer would buy into a contract for something they've never tried or heard a plethora of reviews on. The media sites we know and love today would not have become what they are without the free and open Internet. In essence we would be loosing out on the revenue gained by media giants like YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter.

The FCC and multi-billion dollar corporations should remain operating under restrictions that protect the citizens; the Internet as used by the people needs no such restrictions. The Internet is the voice of the people, and to silence or diffuse it in any way is unconstitutional.

If gone unchecked, people’s choices tend to grow in the direction of self-interest, and those who already have significant power are unjustly able to decide those directions for the rest of society. This is why our forefathers created a great nation that would be able to keep self-interested human tendencies in check with a series of checks and balances. By repealing net neutrality this would create an unbalance of power, removing power from the people and into the hands of government and corporations. This would potentially enable the ability of government or corporations to alter what we see on the Internet, and even what we believe, in order to benefit their own agenda. With all the recent revelations of fake or biased news, we as a society are not ready to entrust our free will in the hands of the select few media corporations. Corporations are people, and that is why if left unchecked they will domineer any avenue available to them to ensure their survival, even utilizing “scorched-Earth” style tactics in order to thrive over competitors.