

Hi,

My name is Ryan Proffitt. I am pursuing a degree in Computer Science, and hold a degree in Political Economy. I am writing to express my concerns over ending Net Neutrality.

My chief concerns are this:

1) ISPs are established monopolies, and I am concerned that ending net neutrality would not spur the kind of innovation the FCC is hoping to see from them. Rather, it would allow these monopolies to extract more wealth from their already established system, and overwhelmingly create more producer benefit than consumer benefit.

2) Net neutrality helps promote the free exchange of ideas. The internet is the collective knowledge of all of humanity. Access to this information should be quick and easy. Making ISPs an even bigger middleman would create inefficiencies in this exchange.

3) Net neutrality gives equal weight to the needs of all who use the network. Ending net neutrality could give ISPs the power to deny services on their network that they might wish to compete with. In addition, ISPs could censor ideas that they don't agree with.

To sum it up, EVERYONE needs the internet. Our entire modern society relies on it right now, and that reliance will increase over time. Don't let ISPs hinder this progress. Please uphold net neutrality for the good of the people.

Thank you for your time.