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Re: Proceeding 17-108 (Restoring Internet Freedom)

Chairman Ajit Pai;

I am very troubled by your proposal to eliminate the rules supporting Net Neutrality. These rules were established to protect an open and inclusive internet. The rejection of these rules will enable Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to segment and control access to internet resources; creating a tiered system of access. This is against the principles of the internet and, I believe, against the best interests of our country.

In my mind, the internet is as ubiquitous as other utilities such as water, gas, and power. As long as I pay my bill I am permitted to do what I want with those services. The internet should be the same.

The arguments being made that innovation is being hampered by the existing rules are demonstrably false. Innovation has abounded on the internet for decades. Only now that the technology has advanced to such a degree that large scale control over internet access is possible do we face a threat to innovation and free speech. The arguments in favor of this proceeding are purely economical and will only benefit the large ISPs who control a lions share of the internet access market.

In addition, to suggest that internet regulation is the sole domain of the Federal Trade Commission is an abdication of this commissions responsibilities to protect the sanctity of a communication medium that we (America) invented.

The Fact Sheet release on 22 November 2017 by the Office of Commissioner Clyburn states well the results that this proceeding, if enacted, will enable.

On a personal note, I work as a telecommuter for a very large, nationwide employer in the healthcare sector. Unrestricted internet access is critical to the performance of my job. It is not outside the realm of possibility that my ISP could decide to limit or segment the specific network protocols VPN tunnels through. This would probably result in an increase in my access fees in order to perform my job at current levels. The net result of this kind of action would be felt across hundreds of thousands of telecommuters across the country and would negatively impact the take home pay of many telecommuters and the profitability of those business that pay their employees access fees.

Please reconsider your position on this proceeding and vote to keep Net Neutrality rules in place.

Sincerely,

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