To the Federal Communications Commission:

To FCC Members:

I respectfully plead that the United States of America be allowed to continue having unfettered freedom of thoughts and speech transfer via our currently open internet.

As with many American things, our internet is envied world-wide because everything is transmitted without any controlling entity.  Even speech I would disagree with, like bullying and pornography, cannot be prohibited or delayed by those who provide internet services to consumers.

Instituting such controls hampers freedom of speech.  It would be the same as if an army of spy-listeners tapped the phone lines of every individual phone and cell phone to see what should be stopped, what could be slowed down.  It could lead to blackmail of advertisers - "If you want your ad online unfettered, I want my piece of the action!"  Already there are mini-criminal building owners charging cable/internet/phone providers for access to their buildings, getting "their piece" from fiber-optic services laid in streets and roadways 30 years ago - just lying there because wiring up buildings was such a financial "bear."

Many have said that television was ruined by advertising.  Advertising, in my opinion, is on its way to ruining the internet.  But to restrict or throttle free speech is worse, again in my opinion.  It surrenders the 1st Constitutional Amendment to control by commercial interests instead of by government. 

Please do not approve this dramatic regulation change which, if approved, will alter that First Amendment's meaning and application as time goes on.

Thank you for your attention.