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Since telephone lines have all but gone away, there is currently no effective common carrier to the homes of most Americans.

This service is necessary for the communication of news with equal representation for all sides. Without the common carrier status, news can be disrupted, propaganda can be disseminated, and the political system itself can be greatly weakened. We need a common carrier, and Broadband is the infrastructure by which the public has demanded it happen!

The only opponents to common carrier status are large corporations that want to lock you into their services. Their prices will, and have, continued to increase, their bundles enlarge, and your access to other, competing services slow. This has already been demonstrated.

I truly do not want the ISPs to be able to enact such restrictions. If I even could I would pay double what I pay now to escape it. Having the option, even at greater expense, to use some services is very important to me -- but I don't have that choice. The ISP's are granted all the benefits of a natural monopoly, and tax money investment on top to pay for their infrastructure, while demanding that they be able to provide solely their world. I don't want it. I can't have it.

Please, fight your hardest, and I will fully encourage you to the best of my ability, to keep broadband access regulated as the new common carrier of information, knowledge, news, and culture. Without it, we never even would have gotten to the point of where we are. Without it, everything that made it up before is being slowly brushed away in the name of maximizing profits.

The telephone system worked exceptionally well. It's time we have broadband infrastructure that will deliver the same benefits and opportunities, and it's time we make our stand -- broadband has grown up an open exchange, and it must stay an open exchange.

Thank you, Tom Wheeler (and I'm sure many associated individuals whom I am unaware). I stand by your recent decision. This is best for all of the individuals in this country.

-Andrew