

The Fourth Estate, the "Free" Press is broken. It is controlled by less than 1% of the population yet governs what we see and hear about the greater world. It controls the phrasing of the conversation, determines who's voices are heard and how well they are portrayed.

The only source of information we have to keep anything resembling a democratic republic from moving further towards a corporate run tyranny is the multitude of voices able to be reached by a free and open Internet.

Without The People able to have open and free dialogues about what reality is and what should be done with it, only a tiny plutocratic minority will have influence in this country/world and selfish interest will govern. This minority can control the view of reality and what should be done about it on issues, on candidates, on ethics, on rights and liberties, on freedom, on almost everything.

Being able to exchange ideas, tools, etc and work together freely also has a strong function in building our reality in a good way.

If we do not win this battle, We The People have lost and will likely do so for all future.

I rely on the Internet as a public platform for free speech, equal opportunity, economic growth and innovation. Without vital Net Neutrality protections, companies like Verizon and Comcast, which have a commercial incentive to limit the free-flowing Web, can decide whether I will have a voice online. These companies should not have the power to determine my fate on the Internet.

Please protect and ensure our ability to communicate freely. What else are you given Federal Power by our elected representatives for? Do you work for The People or do you work for 1% of the population only that is interested largely only in controlling things to keep them forever in their favor and control?

The FCC must have the power to protect consumer access to the most important communications medium of our time. The FCC must stand with me and keep the Internet in the hands of the people who use it every day. Please reclassify broadband as a "telecommunications service" and keep the Internet open and free of corporate gatekeepers.

We The People make up these corporations. We give them their power by working for them, by purchasing from them, by listening to them. Corporations are tools. If they are being used by a minority to control or hinder a majority, that is where an elected government is needed to protect the majority from the minority.

Would you enslave a majority for a minority? Please protect our future. Many do not understand the ramifications of this decision. Please do what is right or find another line of work. Your work is too

important to just cave to a powerful minority and allow them to put blinders on us all.