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Equal access to information is a cornerstone of a functioning democracy. The internet has become the key medium for distributing information in the modern era.

Further, any proposal that allows a company to pay to have their content prioritized their traffic over other traffic inherently favors established companies with deeper pockets over smaller, newer companies with more limited resources.

Many of our greatest technological innovations were produced by small companies and individual entrepreneurs, working out of their garages and leveraging their credit cards to the limit to launch their fledgling enterprises. Denying them equal access to bandwidth denies them a level playing field against larger, more established companies. This would have a profound negative impact on the innovation that has allowed our country to become the technological leader that it is today. This is unacceptable.

True net neutrality must be maintained. Broadband providers should be reclassified as common carriers. It is crucial to the health of our democracy and to maintaining our place in the world as a technological leader and innovator.