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Dear FCC,

My name is David Babb and I live in Asheville, NC.

Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it ISPs could have too much power to determine my Internet experience by providing better access to some services but not others.

A pay-to-play Internet worries me because new, innovative services that can't afford expensive fees for better service will be less likely to succeed.

After a degree in economics, it is evident to me that placing barriers to entry in an internet market will stifle innovation and competition. It is unreasonable to partition and sell one of our society's most valuable resources, a resource which rose from a united people's deep interest in each other. As a business professional whose work is conducted often across the internet, it is nothing short of alarming to witness planned obstruction of this nation's information flow. This is a weakness America will adopt if net neutrality is abandoned. The loss of net neutrality is a solution to no existing problem, less the complaints of the very, very few. You, among others, have the responsibility to preserve the internet as a resource for the many who are here today, and the many who will be in the future. Do not underestimate the gravity of altering the nature of a socioeconomic resource on which most every institution and task of daily life rely, else we all shall suffer for your failure to do what is right by America.

Sincerely,

David Babb