



May 15, 2018

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Leaders McConnell and Schumer:

We write today to urge you and your colleagues in the Senate to vote against Senate Joint Resolution 52 (S.J.Res.52), which uses the Congressional Review Act (CRA) to reverse the FCC's "Restoring Internet Freedom Order" of 2017.

By reversing the FCC's order, the CRA would reinstate 1930s-era Title II regulations. Such an approach would curb the necessary investment and infrastructure improvements that are critical for connecting more Americans to high-speed broadband and enabling wider internet access, especially in poor and rural areas.

This CRA also fails to protect consumer privacy, by doing nothing to address the practices of edge providers, such as search engines and social media platforms, and by eliminating privacy protections enforced by the FTC for millions of consumers.

We need a better solution than this CRA. What is needed is comprehensive bipartisan legislation that provides 21st century rules for a 21st century internet.

Our respective organizations, along with our members, remain committed to the principles of net neutrality and helping foster a free and open internet that protects consumer privacy. We employ hundreds of thousands of Americans, invest more than any other industry — for 5 years running — and provide broadband to tens of millions of American families and businesses.

We know how intensely the issues of internet policy matter to the country today. Comprehensive legislation, not a CRA, would ensure these principles are the law of the land. We respectfully request that you and your colleagues consider the unintended consequences of this vote and vote "No" on S.J.Res. 52.

Sincerely,

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