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INCOMPAS to FCC: Apartment Living Must Not Be Monopoly Living

WASHINGTON DC (June 12, 2016) –INCOMPAS, the Internet and competitive networks association, is praising San Francisco’s plan to bring more broadband competition to residents and families living in apartment buildings and condo complexes.

In reply comments to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), INCOMPAS pushed back against arguments made by those seeking to keep consumers living in apartment buildings locked into monopoly service and higher prices.

One INCOMPAS Member, Sonic, was denied access to 30 buildings despite hundreds of requests for service from potential customers and has provided the FCC a strong case for competition. Since the ordinance passed, Sonic has brought unlimited Gigabit Fiber service starting at \$40 to San Francisco residents. As such, INCOMPAS asserts the FCC should not preempt the San Francisco ordinance.

[A copy of the INCOMPAS filing can be found here.](#)

In addition to the FCC filing, INCOMPAS released the following statement from Chris Shipley, Attorney and Policy Advisor:

“Consumers and families living in apartment buildings are being trapped by broadband monopolies and denied access to broadband competition. These building monopolies are keeping prices high and speeds low. As part of its broadband deployment agenda, the FCC should follow San Francisco’s lead and help connect building and condo customers with the competition and service they crave.”

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About INCOMPAS:

INCOMPAS, the Internet and competitive networks association, is the leading trade group advocating for competition policy across all networks. INCOMPAS represents Internet, streaming, communications and technology companies large and small, advocating for laws and policies that promote competition, innovation and economic development. Learn more at www.incompas.org or follow us on Twitter: @INCOMPAS @ChipPickering