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## **INCOMPAS Statement on FCC Federal Register Publication of Net Neutrality Repeal**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (February 22, 2018)** – The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) published their repeal of net neutrality in the Federal Register today.

**In response, Chip Pickering, CEO of INCOMPAS, and a former Republican Member of Congress who led the effort to pass the first net neutrality provisions in Congress, released the following statement:**

“Ignoring the backlash from consumers and businesses across the country the FCC is putting the future in the hands of a few giant ISP gatekeepers, whose only argument seems to be, ‘trust us, we’re the cable company.’”

“Now is the time for the 80 percent of Americans – Republicans and Democrats – who support strong net neutrality principles to rise up and demand their Members of Congress act with all deliberate speed to stop the FCC and save the streaming revolution.”

“In the Senate, it only takes one vote to preserve bipartisan principles that protect internet freedom and promote small business growth. We will continue to fight in the courts and Congress to find a true bipartisan consensus. America’s open internet policies must foster competition and remain the envy of the world.”

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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](http://www.incompas.org) or follow us on Twitter: @INCOMPAS @ChipPickering