March 19, 2021

The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel Acting Chairwoman Federal Communications Commission 45 L Street NE Washington, DC 20554

Chairwoman Rosenworcel,

We are writing to express our support for the reinstatement of net neutrality protections through Federal Communications Commission (FCC) action. As leading internet-based businesses and organizations, we believe that these fundamental safeguards are critical for preserving the internet as a free and open medium that promotes innovation and spurs economic growth. Net neutrality <u>enjoys bipartisan support among the American public</u>, and many may need to rely on protections enforced by the FCC as more offices and classrooms continue to shift to online settings during the pandemic. By using its authority to restore net neutrality at the federal level, the FCC can help protect families and businesses across the country that rely on high-speed broadband access and help spark our recovery.

Net neutrality simply preserves the environment that has allowed the internet to become an engine for economic growth. The rules serve as protections that users have in their relationship with internet service providers, preventing ISPs from blocking, throttling, or prioritizing traffic for payment. And in an environment where users frequently lack meaningful choices between ISPs, net neutrality can ultimately encourage greater long-term investment across the network stack by promoting broadband buildout, faster service, and new applications.

The internet economy that has allowed our businesses to thrive was built upon basic principles of net neutrality. These protections allow for ideas to spread without interference from ISPs; allowing anyone, anywhere to share ideas and freely communicate on an equal footing. While our products may provide different services, we all recognize the value of these protections for our businesses and the broader internet ecosystem. We support the efforts of the FCC to act upon its mandate and reinstate these fundamental user rights.

Sincerely,

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