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**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O'RIELLY
ON HOUSE PASSAGE OF THE NO RATE REGULATION OF
BROADBAND INTERNET ACCESS ACT**

WASHINGTON, April 15, 2016. — I congratulate Representative Kinzinger and the leadership of the House Energy and Commerce Committee on the bipartisan passage of H.R. 2666, which will hold the Commission to its promise, often-repeated during its Net Neutrality proceeding, not to regulate broadband Internet access rates. It's unfortunate that all of the backpedaling on the part of Commission leadership has made a step of this magnitude necessary, but I am hopeful that the experience with last year's Appropriations provision pertaining to Joint Sales Agreements will elicit more respect for the will of Congress.

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