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STATEMENT BY FCC COMMISSIONER MIGNON L. CLYBURN ON CHAIRMAN GENACHOWSKI'S CIRCULATION OF A DRAFT ORDER PRESERVING THE OPEN INTERNET

"I am anxious to begin my review of the Chairman's agenda meeting item that seeks to preserve an open and free Internet. We have been discussing this matter for some time, and I am glad that the dialogue has developed into a draft Order so that the Commission can further deliberate and decide this important issue.

"The Internet is a crucial American marketplace, and I believe that it is appropriate for the FCC to safeguard it pursuant to our duties and obligations. As noted by the Chairman in his remarks this morning, clear rules of road are absolutely necessary for consumers to be protected and for broadband providers and other users of the Internet to be able to further innovate and invest.

"I look forward to working with the Chairman, my fellow Commissioners, and all stakeholders as we work toward achieving consensus in this proceeding."