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**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI
ON SENATE CONFIRMATION OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O’RIELLY**

I congratulate Commissioner Mike O’Rielly on his recent Senate confirmation to a full term at the FCC. Mike has proven to be a hardworking, principled advocate for free markets, the rule of law, and the consumer interest during his time at the Commission. I’m proud to call him a friend and colleague, and I look forward to working closely with him in the years ahead.