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**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O’RIELLY
ON NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN PAI TO A NEW TERM**

WASHINGTON, March 7, 2017. — “It is heartening to learn that President Trump has nominated my friend and colleague, Chairman Pai, for a well-deserved new term on the Commission. I know Ajit looks forward to the challenges and opportunities ahead. Together, we can achieve much to bring our rules into line with marketplace realities, removing unnecessary burdens on providers – and thus consumers -- while also improving our internal procedures.”

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