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Washington, DC—Jim Doyle, President of [Business Forward](#), released the following statement after the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit upheld most of the FCC's 2017 Restoring Internet Freedom (RIF) order.

“Today’s ruling demonstrates once again why Congress must pass meaningful net neutrality legislation. Four successive FCC chairs, serving two presidents, failed to secure net neutrality through regulation alone.

“It takes Congress to create permanent net neutrality rights, and the only way we’ll pass a net neutrality bill through both houses is through bipartisan compromise. Without a bipartisan solution, small business owners in our network are likely to see at least two more years of gridlock that leaves them vulnerable.

“Business leaders in our network rank net neutrality over cybersecurity, data privacy or broadband access. More than 2,300 [business leaders have called on Congress](#) to approach net neutrality and privacy in a bipartisan way.”

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