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**STATEMENT BY FCC COMMISSIONER MICHAEL J. COPPS  
ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT  
JOSH SILVER WILL LEAVE FREE PRESS**

“Josh Silver is one of the founding fathers of Free Press and a formative force in its growth over recent years. Many of the causes it champions are causes for which I also have fought. Due in no small part to the efforts of Josh and the dedicated staff at Free Press, the voices of millions of Americans that would otherwise have gone unheard have been heard here at the FCC and in the halls of Congress. Whether fighting to preserve the continued openness of the Internet or the vibrancy of American media, Josh has made an invaluable contribution to our democratic dialogue by elevating issues needing national attention to the national stage. I know Josh will bring the same public interest commitment, energy and organizational genius to his new challenge, and I join his many friends and admirers in wishing him well in that good cause.”

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