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**STATEMENT OF FCC COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI
ON AM RADIO REVITALIZATION**

I applaud Chairman Wheeler’s announcement that he intends to circulate an item addressing AM revitalization in the coming weeks and look forward to reviewing it. In this item, the Commission must provide immediate, short-term help to AM broadcasters and tee up for comment additional ideas to help secure the long-term future of the band. AM revitalization is a cause that has garnered widespread support from large and small broadcasters, civil rights organizations, Democrats, and Republicans. Moreover, there is nearly unanimous support in the record for the ideas put forward by the Commission under Acting Chairwoman Clyburn’s leadership. I hope that we will move forward on these proposals in the next couple of months.