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**STATEMENT OF FCC COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI
*On the Prospective Nomination of Senator Jeff Sessions to Serve as Attorney General***

WASHINGTON, November 18, 2016.—I want to congratulate Senator Jeff Sessions on his prospective nomination by President-Elect Trump to serve as Attorney General of the United States.

I had the honor of working for Senator Sessions on the Senate Judiciary Committee, when he chaired the Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Senator Sessions was and is a good man and a superb senator: honorable, thoughtful, devoted to the Constitution, and deeply committed to equal justice and the rule of law. He has long employed a diverse staff of attorneys—during my tenure, his staff consisted of an African-American man, two women, and me, a first-generation Indian-American—all of whom worked every day to fulfill his vision of a just and free America.

I commend Senator Sessions’ nomination without reservation. The Department of Justice and the American people will benefit from his leadership.

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