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**STATEMENT OF FCC CHAIRMAN AJIT PAI ON TERMINATING THE FCC’S 2013 PLAN TO ALLOW CELLPHONE CALLS ON PLANES**

WASHINGTON, April 10, 2017 — Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai issued the following statement regarding his proposal that the FCC terminate its 2013 proceeding that sought to relax rules governing mobile communications on planes:

“I stand with airline pilots, flight attendants, and America’s flying public against the FCC’s ill-conceived 2013 plan to allow people to make cellphone calls on planes. I do not believe that moving forward with this plan is in the public interest. Taking it off the table permanently will be a victory for Americans across the country who, like me, value a moment of quiet at 30,000 feet.”

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