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**COMMISSIONER CLYBURN STATEMENT
*On Establishing an Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment***

WASHINGTON, April 24, 2017 – “I am pleased that Chairman Pai intends to establish a new federal advisory committee, known as the Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment.”

“While no single initiative will solve the digital and opportunities divide, I believe that the formation of this Committee is the first of many steps the FCC can take to ensure all Americans have access to robust and affordable communications services. I look forward to working with the Committee to advance these important goals.”

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