



RESOLUTION

Opposing Federal Regulatory Overreach of Internet Regulations

- WHEREAS** As legal and legislative efforts for and against net neutrality continue in Washington, D.C., NRB has remained a strong voice for Christian content to be accessible on the internet—unfettered by any government or corporate religious discrimination;
- WHEREAS** NRB opposes net neutrality, which constitutes a drastic and excessive expansion of federal regulatory reach while failing to address real threats of viewpoint discrimination among tech giants like Facebook, Google, Amazon, and Apple;
- WHEREAS** For more than a decade, NRB has maintained the position that “open internet” protocols are not the correct avenue for protecting religious expression. These principles authorize a broad, expansive role for the federal government in overseeing the activities of internet service providers (ISPs), while edge providers like Facebook, Twitter, Google, Apple, and Amazon—who actively engage in viewpoint censorship—are subject to no such regulatory action;
- WHEREAS** The current presidential administration has explicitly committed to reinstating net neutrality regulations and has issued an executive order urging the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to act to that end, action which will become more likely pending the confirmation of a tie-breaking FCC commissioner;
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED** that NRB reaffirms its historic opposition to expansive government oversight of internet service providers, especially while the enforcement actions of edge providers make a notable and escalating impact on free speech and Christian communications.

Approved by the Board of Directors March 8, 2022