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STATEMENT BY FCC COMMISSIONER MICHAEL COPPS ON CHAIRMAN MICHAEL POWELL'S DEPARTURE ANNOUNCEMENT

I have enjoyed working with Chairman Powell and I continue to admire the knowledge and enthusiasm he brought to the Chairmanship of the FCC. He has worked long and hard to advance his vision of our telecom future. While he and I have had some differences on issues, we never let that get in the way of a collegial relationship. Michael has served our country honorably in many capacities already and I look forward to his continued participation in the public dialogue in the years ahead. My staff and I join in wishing him well.