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Lili Bosse, Mayor

March 12, 2018

The Honorable Kevin de León
President pro Tempore, California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 460 (de León) Guidelines: Broadband Internet Access Service.
City of Beverly Hills – SUPPORT**

Dear Senate President pro Tempore de León,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write to you in SUPPORT of your SB 460 (de León), which will prohibit Internet service providers from engaging in paid prioritization and other practices that violate the principle of “net neutrality.” This bill will further prohibit any state agency from contracting with an Internet service provider that has not certified under penalty of perjury that they will not violate the net neutrality rules set forth in the legislation.

The recent decision by the Federal Communications Commission to overturn rules protecting net neutrality has left consumers vulnerable to unscrupulous business practices and exorbitant charges for broadband internet service, seriously threatening a free and open internet. With the removal of these vital consumer protections at the federal level, the City of Beverly Hills strongly believes that California must act immediately to take steps to protect both consumers and a free and open internet by establishing statewide net neutrality laws. To demonstrate our commitment to the principle of net neutrality the City of Beverly Hills intends to only contract broadband internet services from providers that abide by the principles of net neutrality.

SB 460 (de León) will help California's businesses and consumers by guaranteeing that Internet service providers treat all data on their networks equally. For these reasons, the City SUPPORTS SB 460 (de León). Thank you for authoring this important legislation.

Sincerely,



Lili Bosse

Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

cc: The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District
The Honorable Richard H. Bloom, 50th Assembly District
Andrew K. Antwih, Shaw / Yoder / Antwih, Inc.