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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that any infrastructure legislation to promote broadband internet access or communications facilities deployment should treat all broadband and communications facilities in a competitively and technologically neutral manner.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LATTA submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

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Whereas broadband brings extraordinary opportunities for economic growth and investment across multiple platforms and technologies, including wireline, wireless, and cable;

Whereas broadband and related information technology add nearly \$1 trillion annually to the United States economy;

Whereas broadband and related communications and technology sectors support roughly 10 million American jobs;

Whereas wireline, wireless, and cable broadband providers collectively invested \$76 billion in 2016, and roughly \$1.6 trillion since 1996;

Whereas wireline, wireless, and cable broadband providers are consistently ranked among the top companies investing annually in the United States;

Whereas broadband traffic over wireline, wireless, and cable technologies continues to grow at an exponential rate; and

Whereas world-class communications networks will require a complementary mix of wireline, wireless, cable, and any other technology capable of transmitting voice, video, or data communications services using Internet Protocol or any successor protocol-enabled service: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that any infrastructure legislation to promote
3 broadband internet access or communications facilities de-
4 ployment should treat all broadband and communications
5 facilities in a competitively and technologically neutral
6 manner.

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