Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Whip Durbin, Chair Murray, and Vice Chair Collins,

The undersigned FCC Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) grantees, members of the No Home Left Offline Coalition, and other organizations involved in ACP outreach and enrollment, write to you today to urge you to prioritize passage of S. 3565, The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) Extension Act of 2024. Without additional funding, the ACP will terminate at the end of April 2024, and 23 million households may be forced offline. The funding in this bill would allow the program to continue through most of 2024 and will prevent millions of Americans from facing sudden, unexpected, and unaffordable increases in their home internet bills. This program must be allowed to continue while advocates and policymakers work towards a more permanent solution.

Today marks a significant moment in the ACP; the FCC is no longer accepting new enrollments to the program, and program enrollees have already received at least one notification that their benefits will end, creating confusion in the market. Soon, these 23 million enrolled households will see a spike in their internet bill and potentially lose service entirely. **2024 could be the first year in history that FEWER households are connected to the internet than in the previous year.** This will occur just as states are preparing to make the biggest broadband investments in history.

Our organizations are committed to closing the digital divide and ensuring that all households have access to adequate and affordable broadband connections. Together, we have helped enroll beneficiaries across more than 30 states, and have conducted hundreds of outreach and enrollment events. If Congress allows the ACP to expire, all of the progress made across the
country may be lost. Further, this may cause distrust among enrollees; if the ACP, or similar broadband benefit, is created in the future, it may be significantly harder to reach these enrollees.

We look forward to working with Congress to achieve our shared goal of closing the digital divide and urge you to prioritize passing S. 3565, *The Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act of 2024*, before current funding lapses.

Sincerely,

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