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Marketplace Fairness Coalition Asks Opponents Of MFA Why They Support Government Picking Winners and Losers in the Free Market

WASHINGTON D.C. – The Marketplace Fairness Coalition, which represents thousands of American businesses – large and small, as well as both brick-and-mortar and online – released the following statement regarding today’s press conference on Capitol Hill by opponents of the *Marketplace Fairness Act*, including the eBay-funded W R HERE Coalition:

“It is unfortunate that the organizers of this event are more concerned with protecting eBay’s bottom line at the expense of thousands of Main Street businesses. Instead of making disingenuous exaggerations about the *Marketplace Fairness Act*, these groups should explain why a handful of businesses should be given special treatment by the government.

“This legislation levels the playing field so that all retailers are treated equally in the free market. That's why it's received strong bipartisan support from Republicans, Independents and Democrats, alike in Congress, and bipartisan support from Governors across the country.”

Background:

In recent weeks, the Marketplace Fairness Coalition has released numerous fact checks on many of the claims repeated at today’s press conference. Notably, groups like ATR and Heritage have been unable, or unwilling, to address the numerous questions that have been raised. For example:

- [May 22nd -- What eBay, Heritage & ATR Aren't Telling You Today](#)
- [May 21st — Setting the Record Straight on the Heritage Foundation](#)
- [May 13th - Open Letter to Americans for Tax Reform](#)
- [May 1st - Open Letter to eBay CEO John Donahoe](#)

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