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I am delighted to greet the readers and staff of the Federal Communications Law Journal and all who are commemorating the sixtieth anniversary of the Communications Act of 1934.

When President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed this historic legislation so many years ago, few realized the dramatic changes in communications that the future would hold. Yet that stroke of the pen ushered in the beginning of the Information Age, an era in which vast amounts of knowledge flow freely across continents and circle the globe in a matter of seconds.

Today, as we celebrate the vision of the authors of the Communications Act, we are still defining the role that telecommunications technology will play in our society. With a universe of electronic information at our fingertips, we can better educate our people, promote democracy, save lives, and create jobs across America. As we work to enhance the partnership between the public and private sectors, we continue to draw inspiration from the original Communications Act, which has long served to benefit all of our citizens and to propel our nation into the future.

Best wishes to all for a memorable anniversary.