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I would like to support proposed class 16 to permit jailbreaking for Wireless Telephone Handsets. From childhood I was always intrigued by computers, and I was able to grow up with computers and see the effect they had on the world. Wireless telephone handsets now have more computing power than my first computer, and I would classify them as \'93mobile computers\'94. Now phones do more than make a phone call, they allow you to install software to further what this device can do. Sadly, the marketplace on my \'93mobile computer\'94 has a closed ecosystem, unlike my first computer which gave me the ability to write software for it freely. Writing software for computers back then, I believe, is the main reason we are where we are now and have advanced as far as we have. Withholding the ability to do any software modification on these \'93mobile computers\'94 would be a step back from where we are now. If we let laws like the DMCA stop us from modifying our own devices then I truly believe the advancements forward will slow down tremendously.\
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I personally have a jailbroken iPhone and I wouldn\'92t have it any other way. I can backup my personal contacts easily by simply grabbing my contacts database from the phone, just as you would open any folder on your computer to grab a text file. For me to achieve this without a jailbreak, I would need to use iTunes, or send my contacts to iCloud. Most of the time I want just my contacts, and not an entire backup of my phone or have my contacts sent in a cloud on the internet. It allowed me to FaceTime my family when no wifi was available. I could get my old messages even after the phone wasn\'92t usable. If my device is lost I have the ability to not only take a photo if someone gets my device, but I can get their location as well. Jailbreaking also allows me as a developer and graphic designer to be part of a great community that shares the same interest in personalizing their devices. I am able to write software for these devices without restrictions of app verification and share unique tools that the manufacture doesn\'92t have in it\'92s marketplace.\
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If you don\'92t like an icon on your computer you can simply change it. If you don\'92t like an icon on your \'93mobile computer\'94 you cannot change it unless you jailbreak. Jailbreak tweaks let users change the entire look and feel of the device, to fit them on a personal level. What would a child like their phone to look like, and what would an adult want their phone to look like? Sadly without a jailbreak both phones look identical. Jailbreaking allows people to make these modifications and has allowed me to personalize my device to my needs. I feel that everyone should have this privilege.\
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