ATTORNEY AT LAW AND COUNSELOR WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005 March 24, 2004 Mr. Brian Lamb Chairman & CEO 400 North Capitol Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001

> Honorary Degree Candidate, Paine College, May 2, 2004 Re:

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Dear Mr. Lamb:

C-SPAN

This is to congratulate you and the C-SPAN family for 25 years of informative coverage of the American Experience. Under your leadership, C-SPAN's real time programming has expanded access to our democracy and transformed television into an intellectual venue for scholars, policy makers, contemporary leaders and their diverse constituents. I am particularly enthralled with Booknotes and Book TV. You and C-SPAN are national treasures that are worthy of applause for your sterling achievements.

Since our conversation at C-SPAN's holiday party at Sequoia Restaurant in December 2003, I have recommended to the President of Paine College that you receive an Honorary Degree during Commencement on May 2, 2004. The President and the faculty of Paine College whole heartily support awarding you an Honorary Degree. The Board of Trustees will meet on April 3, 2004 to take final action on College matters, including approving candidates for all degrees. As

Board of Trustees, I am confident that your candidacy will be approved unanimously. You will be receiving official notification from the President of Paine College concerning Commencement shortly.

Paine College is nestled amongst the hills of Augusta, Georgia, not far from the home of the annual Masters Golf Tournament at the Augusta National Country Club. Paine College is proud of its many alumni who have contributed to expanding and enriching our country's cultural experience and heritage. For instance, the late Frank Yerby, an internationally renowned author of over 30 books, was a graduate of Paine College. Mr. Yerby authored the Paine College Hymn while a student at Paine. We have recently relocated the home of Mr. Yerby to the Paine College campus. You will enjoy your visit to Paine College and Augusta, Georgia in May.

With every wish for continued success at C-SPAN, I remain,

Very truly yours,