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May 29, 1993

Mr. Gary Giacomini, Supervisor  
Board of Supervisors  
Civic Center  
San Rafael, Ca.

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Re: Cutback in Broadcasting C-Span

Dear Supervisor Giacomini:

The newspapers have reported that there are going to be big cutbacks of C-Span on Diacom.

I am very unhappy that anyone feels the need to cut C-Span. I watch C-Span day and night on our Channels 30, 1 and any other channel that carries it.

Aside from what I want, however, C-Span is the most important channel of all the channels on Television. It relates what is happening in our federal government as it is happening. It teaches us how laws are made, how our representatives vote and why, how politicians and the press interact, what is happening in foreign countries and how all of this affects us in our daily lives. And, it stimulates an interest in voting. It should be mandatory for school children to watch a limited amount of C-Span and subsequently submit written reports of their viewing in their classes. Then, perhaps our graduates from highschool will know something about how a democracy functions even though a great many of them cannot read or write. C-Span is vital to our knowledge.

We are told there are a tremendous number of channels. Why then must we give up the greatest program on TV to make room for the scheduling of poorer programs? When I think of all of the channels that are overloaded with violence, sex, drug scenes and

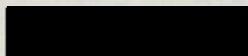
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other such trash, it escapes me why C-Span should be the channel that should be cut back.

Many of my friends feel the same way I do. But, they don't write letters so you undoubtedly will not hear from them.

I earnestly implore you to do what you can to preserve the current programming of C-Span.

Sincerely,



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Tim Rea  
Vice President & General Manager  
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Dear Mr. Rea:

This is in response to your most recent notice that you are making a change in the programming of C-Span.

Enclosed is a copy of my letter to Supervisor Gary Giacomini stating how my friends and I feel about the cutbacks to C-Span. I hope something can be worked out to retain the current programming of C-Span. It's the best thing on television.

Sincerely,

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