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Brian Lamb, Founder & CEO C-SPAN 400 N. Capital St. N.W., Suite 650 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Brian:

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As you will note from the enclosures, I have been asked to be the honoree for this year's University of Oregon Pioneer Award banquet.

You can add some weight to the event with any comments you may have, humorous or otherwise, about my early involvement in the establishment of C-SPAN. My recollection is that, after Time Inc. pioneered the start of satellite service to provide delivery of Home Box Office, it opened the door for others to follow. You were there to advocate carriage of Congress. As President of Liberty Communication, I was an active supporter and board member during those early days. Of interest is the fact that I still own one of the original Liberty cable systems serving Bend, Oregon, and surrounding areas, and I have been carrying C-SPAN since the beginning without interruption.

I would not ask you to attend given the difficulty, but perhaps you could send a short video. Your help can make this a memorable event and I would appreciate your involvement.

Very best wishes.

Cordially,