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Dear Sir/Madam:

I have recently discovered what a tremendous service your operation provides the country, in offering the populous a look into the workings of Washington, and while I rarely take time to comment, I felt strongly enough by this revelation, that I am writing this letter to commend you for your efforts.

After watching hours of senate hearings, I am frankly shocked by the ineptness of so many of our elected officials. If there is any question as to why the government is dysfunctional, one need only to watch a hour of your programming for the answer. It is quite an education -- and those on Capital Hill had better be aware that more and more of their constituents are watching -- and were not pleased.

I would also like to add that your recent coverage of the gay march was enlightening. Admittedly, I stopped on C-SPAN while "channel surfing" that Sunday afternoon. My initial curiosity,

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however, turned to interest, and frankly, while I have little understanding for that lifestyle, your coverage humanized these people to me and expanded my acceptance of their cause. Even the foul language of one woman comedian, which I didn't particularly appreciate, was really nothing worse than you hear at a Sunday afternoon major league sporting event.

Again, the service you provide is commendable, given the magnitude and the wide-range of coverage. Watching C-SPAN has certainly inspired me to be informed beyond what traditional media decides to feed the American people, formulating my own judgments, and get involved. Watching the recent panel hearings involving Janet Reno and the Waco incident, infuriated me enough to send two telegrams -- one in support of Janet Reno, the other blasting an idiot panel member who obviously has lost sight of reality.

To everyone at C-SPAN, keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

