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As studio manager of our local Access Center, I am very aware of the benefits of PEG programming in our community. Our live broadcasts of City Council meetings and workshops are a crucial element of government transparency and community involvement. Additionally, we recently televised five candidate forums pertaining to the local elections, allowing the entire community to have access to the meetings through PEG programming. These services, plus live coverage of other special community events, make PEG programming vital to our citizens.

I strongly oppose the tentative conclusions in the FNPRM that cable-related in-kind contributions are franchise fees. This has the potential for disastrous effects on PEG funding that could seriously limit, or completely remove our ability to provide these essential services to our local residents.

As such, I respectfully request that the FCC deny this action. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.