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James Quello, Chairman
Federal Communication Commission
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Dear Mr. Quello,

I believe you must be as interested and concerned about TV for our Children as you are about all areas of communication or you would not have assumed the Chairmanship. FCC must monitor and enforce the Childrens Television Act of 1990. TV is a superb source for education and information but surely it could do a lot more to benefit our youngsters. Please advise the commission of this fact. Thank you.

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Dear Secretary,

I am responding to a recent article in the Seattle Times concerning Children's T.V. viewing.

I feel strongly as a mother of 2 Children 7 & 9, That television should be used as a tool for learning as well as quality entertainment. Too much of what is deemed

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8) entertainment are "cheap laughs" and "cheap excitement". There needs to be more depth and consideration of psychological and sociological implications of shows written for children and adolescents.

For our family we have adopted a routine that is beneficial despite the dubious quality of what's on the T.V.

3) We spend 5 days a week with NO television at all. This time spent pursuing other activities develops the ability of my children to find enjoyment for themselves which takes the form of reading, play games, piano, etc. This skill of finding alternative activities is to me, worth the Friday evening SIT-COMS and Saturday morning cartoons. Sincerely,

Margaret Rosenbaum

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To: James Duello

Subject: T.V. Violence

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Sir:

children are being taught and trained to kill - as they grow - this behavior becomes part of their brain - it is natural to them as it is learned - just like walking and talking - they are learning to kill.

R-rated movies are run on saturday aimed at children, Harrow movies that chill the blood - killing shown with out any mercy - or right or wrong standards, they mix blood & passion & sex together.

What does a 10 or 12 year old boy learn from this - that this is how it is done. children are killing parents, play mates, girl-friends & rivals, because this is what they know. Read the newspaper!

You have the power to stop this - have the courage [illegible]

Helen Vigna

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Dear Secretary of FCC,

I am writing this letter in hopes that the FCC can regulate the violence and moral degradation that is currently bombarding America via television programs and radio stations.

I am a parent of 2 pre-teenagers 10 + 13. I have very carefully monitored their viewing of violence of T.V. since they were old enough to watch T.V. Monitoring children T.V. is very easy until the children get in this Pre-teen catagory. Now, the shows that I have hoped they wouldn't watch are, peer pressure wise, the "coolest" to watch.

Soap Operas have preschoolers learning about mis-guided adult relationships, sex, abortion, divorce, violence. Young parents should realize that while they watch their afternoon soaps, their preschoolers are absorbing the wrong messages.

Currently, shows such as "The Simpsons" "Martin" and others during Prime Time, show violence as "interesting or rewarding" behavior and the degredation of women is appalling. One episode of "Martin" had gang members

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fighting over Martin's girlfriend, whom they "wanted to have a piece of her sugar" from. Please, can't you regulate this garbage off the air? And the innuendos in the writing of the scripts?

The radio leaves less to be desired. Howard Sterns has consistently abused the airwaves with violent terms against women, sexually explicit pornography and racial slurs. Can't you get a moral regulation rule to stop this morally depraved idiot? Please keep fining his radio stations until they remove him. How do I stop my children from finding his channel on the radio? I can "block" T.V. shows and "900" calls on my phone, but I can't "block out" Howard Sterns from my children's ears.

Please set your standards high otherwise the media abuses its freedom of speech priveledges. I can't even take my children to see "classic" movies such as "The LAST OF THE Mohicans" because of the extreme violence. Maybe they should make 2 versions - one for children + families one for "others". The cost of this alone would make all T.V. and movie directors aim their programs higher, to the larger audience. Thank you,

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