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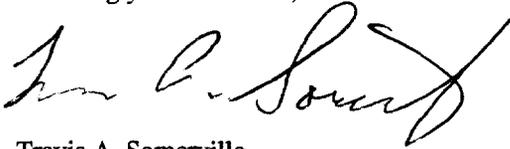
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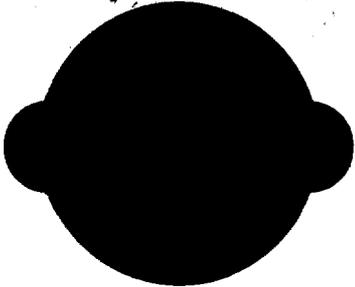
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Dear Mr. Caton:

I am writing to express my strong support for RM-8648 submitted by Apple Computer. This petition deserves your most serious concern. I hope you will study it completely and support it fully.

The National Information Infrastructure (NII) is dramatically changing our lives. The potential for societal improvement through communication technology is staggering. One of the biggest risks we run in this new age is further stratification of our society based on access to information. Can we afford to further separate the classes in the United States?

We are at a turning point. Your actions on this wonderful proposal will help to determine the future direction of equal access in this country. Will we provide the basis for equity on the NII? Or will the traditionally disenfranchised peoples be pushed once again toward the back of the bus?

The concepts presented in Apple's petition are revolutionary. As this Independence Day 1995 passes, we must remember that access to government is a cornerstone of our democracy. Access is required to make democracy work. Technology and the NII are redefining our society in almost every way: the way we do business, the way we interact with our government, the way we build relationships. Access to information is a key challenge in this new age.

If the concepts Apple brings forth are implemented, we could indeed have a system of the people, by the people, and for the people.

I appreciate the time you are taking to understand these important issues.

Thanks you,

Sue Beckwith
Executive Director

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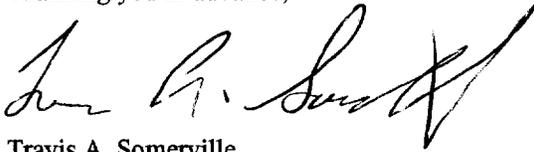
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