

I attended tonight a meeting of "Radio Free Nashville," a group of people interested in being part of a radio station that is responsibly run and open to the community here, with a different point of view from the mass media, the big corporations, the NAB, Fortune 500, etc.

We talked about this exciting possibility that the FCC might strengthen American democracy by allowing citizens and groups to operate low power radio stations. None of us wanted these license granted by auction or by lottery. We want protection from the monolithic single minded corporations of mass media so American diversity can triumph.

We talked about the pressure that the wealthy corporations will bring on Congress to keep the American people from owning a part of their air waves. We're so proud of you, FCC, for opening the door to free speech for us. We know there will be financial and political pressure for you to shut the door in the face of the American people, as varied as Joseph's coat, and and best of luck. Thanks so much for considering lower power FM for groups. Limit the number of licenses any one entity can own. Let America reveal
its diversity to each other and the world.