

To whom it may concern:

I strongly oppose media de-regulation. I believe that larger media companies will decrease the diversity of information and analysis provided by locally owned and controlled outlets and, ultimately, threaten the free speech essential to our democracy. In the past decade I have seen an increased homogenization of news (as well as a decrease in actual news reported) as large companies such as Disney have taken over TV network news.

I absolutely disagree that commonly owned media has a "stronger incentive to provide diverse formats, programs, and content" and, in fact, believe the opposite to be true.

I strongly oppose further de-regulation.

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