

I think everyone should have access to televised information and entertainment. Closed captions make television programs accessible to my friends who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Closed captioning is an essential part of any television program, the same as sound.

The law requiring closed captioning was passed in 1996. The FCC established closed captioning rules in 1998. The rules required closed captioning to be increased gradually over 8 years. Since January 2006, 100% of all new television programs must be captioned, with some exceptions. This program should not be an exception.

Today, closed captions are not too difficult or too expensive.

No program should be on television without closed captions!

With closed captions, millions of deaf and hard of hearing viewers get the program information and the message and that the program producer cares about them.

The FCC must support deaf and hard of hearing consumers and must enforce the closed captioning rules!

Thank you,

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