

CookChildren'sSM

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Chairman Kevin J. Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Martin:

As summer approaches, I'm reflecting on some of my favorite warm weather activities. One of these is definitely Madeline's Birthday Celebration, which celebrates Jody Dean's beautiful daughter as well as all of the patients here at Cook Children's Medical Center. This has been such a wonderful event! I know Jody holds Cook in a special place in his heart, and this is evident in the enthusiasm with which he (and all of the KLUV staff) support this activity.

For the past two years, this event has generated hundreds of donated toys for the patients and families hospitalized with both acute and chronic, often life-threatening, illnesses. These toys, along with the accompanying love, prayer and well wishes, are great medicine! They help the children heal spiritually and emotionally as the medical team works to heal them physically. The toys and other gifts have been used in the following ways:

- In the playrooms, to help ensure that children continue to grow and develop in spite of their time in the hospital
- In the classroom, to help children stay on track with their education while they receive necessary medical care
- In celebration as the staff help children recognize important milestones in their lives: birthdays, "going home" parties for children who have been hospitalized for at least a month, or successful completion of medical procedures which are often new and scary for the children

Community partners like KLUV help do those "extra" things that recognize and value the lives of the children. KLUV helps us celebrate the life of each and every infant, child, teen and young adult facing unique medical challenges. These gifts, both the toys and the time of the wonderful staff, are appreciated.

Sincerely,



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