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"Request for Waiver"

Dear Secretary Dortch,

I am filing this letter as a request for waiver of deadline. I did not get my Form 470 (application # 826340000730136) filed in time to allow me to file my Form 471 "In Window". I was gone on family medical leave. My 76 year old mother is a stroke patient. My 78 year old father is her sole care provider. My father fell and hit his head on their concrete drive and knocked himself out and gave himself a brain hemorrhage and had to be in the hospital, which left me, their only child living in Iowa, to care for my mother and also my father once he was released from the hospital. Three months later, he was once again able to start caring for himself and my mother, so I am back to work. I filed my Form 470 on 1/28/2009, but missed the window for my Form 471 by a couple weeks. I never missed filing for E-rate funds since the program began, this is my 12th year. We receive funds for 70% of our telephone service, which would be \$486.61. Our library's budget for Fiscal Year 09/10 is showing deep cuts in our book budget and no money for children's programming, which means finding donations from our community to cover that. We desperately need the E-rate funds, so that is why I'm asking (and praying) for a waiver from the FCC, which will allow me to file my Form 471 on 2/25/2009, 28 days after posting my Form 470, which has now put me "out of window". The staff here at the library are all part time and kept the library open and going while I was gone, but they don't deal with any of the administrative responsibilities, so they were unaware of any deadlines. I unfortunately had my hands full at home and my mind was elsewhere.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my request for a waiver.

Sincerely,

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