

To Whom it May Concern,

I am nearly 60 years of age, and have enjoyed television most of my life. However, I have been totally blind all of that time, and have endured many challenges to my ability to enjoy this medium.

Recently, I became hopeful that these challenges would significantly decrease soon due to full implementation of the CVAA. To be able to regularly access described video, programming guides, or something as frequently used as a television remote, has as of yet eluded me.

I have found thus far, that when features to make TV more accessible are limited to being available only "upon request" they are still basically inaccessible, and definitely disappointing!

Currently, I cannot without sighted help, enjoy a movie, access described video when it is available which is rare, find out what programs will be airing from my Cable provider's viewer guide, etc.

I genuinely hope that you and your staff will do all in your power to increase rather than limit access to television and all of its features for visually impaired folks which are now enjoyed by sighted folks.

Respectfully,

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