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Mr. Michael Perko
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Federal Communications Commission
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Dear Mr. Perko,

I have recently been contacted by Ms. Elizabeth Browning of Natural Bridge, Virginia. Attached please find a copy of that correspondence. I would appreciate it if you could look into this matter and provide me with an appropriate response. Thank you.

Sincerely,



MARK R. WARNER
United States Senator

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Sir,

I just sent the following email to the commissioners of the FCC. I urge you to take action to reverse their decision.

I vehemently protest changes to FCC policy regarding indecency allowable on radio and television. I recall a FCC official once referring to tv as "the great wasteland." Truly, it is now nothing less than state-approved pornography -- by anyone's definition.

This change that would allow network television and local radio stations to air the "F" word and the "S" word and allow television programs to show frontal female exposure, even during hours when they know children will be watching and listening, is indefensible. For adult viewers, it is indefensible. If civilizations are remembered for their cultural achievements, and their goodness, ours will be scorned in the future as it is today.

Instead of lowering standards, I wonder if you are brave enough, and human enough, to champion virtues that represent the best about us. I challenge you not only to rescind this vile decision, but to enforce stricter moral codes in keeping with our dignity as human beings.

Elizabeth M. Browning

Cc: Senator Mark Warner
 Senator Tim Kaine
 Representative Bob Goodlatte