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Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of
Proposal for Creation of the Low Power FM
(LPFM) Broadcast Service

FCC RM-9242

To: Federal Communications Commission

Reply-Comments of Edwin Santos

I want to express my full support for the creation of a LOW POWER FM Broadcasting Service. RM-9242 With the proposed power levels is the only logical proposal before the commission, to achieve this purpose responsibly. Lower power levels (e.j. 1 Watt or less) are absurd (a 1 watt radio station is a toy.)

As a college trained broadcaster, B.A. Southern University 1970, and having worked in this field for so many years in WSMC-FM, WAUS-FM, WTPM-FM . . . from D.J. to General Manager, I always methodically believed as taught by your rules and regulations that:

1. Airways belong to "We the people" making broadcasting a very unique type of business.
2. We are ~~are~~ serve our community needs and interests.
3. Having a Radio License is a great responsibility and station owners are mere stewards.

What I've seen happening in Radio lately is very depressing. This situation is so evident that telling the commission all the disasters ~~and~~ coalition has caused and will increasingly cause, is like preaching to the choir. *this*

Individuals, minorities, women, small businesses and others with limited financial means are being denied access to radio.

What really worries me is if you will be able to rule in favor of RM-9242 with politicians and big station lawyers trying to silence you.

I'm sure you are aware that LPFM is needed. Please go the extra mile in not letting Radio become a voice of the few, the elite, the multinationals. A whole network directed from Wal-Street; rather than being the voice of the local community.

Radio cannot become a WallStreet Commodity.

Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edwin Santos".

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