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Dear Mr. Kennard:

As a non-owner broadcaster for over 20 years, I am very much in favor of the low power fm proposal and support you all the way on this. I feel LPFM will bring some diversity back to the airwaves and local community programming the way it was meant to be. The big corporate owned stations seem to care nothing about the majority of communities they serve. In fact, most are programmed in other cities, usually hundreds of miles away.

I feel the only reason the NAB is behind this is because of the big corporate dollar being paid by those who own multi stations to fight it. LPFM will allow the small independant broadcaster a chance to get back into the game.

I do not think anyone that has broken FCC rules in the way of a pirate station should ever be considered for any kind of radio license! I do think LPFM will give a lot of hard working, honest, small community broadcasters a chance to serve.

I vote yes for LPFM! Thank you for coming up with this proposal.

Sincerely,

James P. (Butch) Menefee, Jr.

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