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Senator Judy Robson
Room 211 South
State Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Senator Robson,

WAPC is most grateful for all you have done on behalf of public, education, and government access television stations in Wisconsin. Your strong leadership has saved local PEG access television from extinction. To acknowledge the key role you have played, WAPC is presenting you with a 2007 Friend of Access award.

WAPC would like to present this award to you at the WAPC Annual Conference on Friday, May 4 during our opening luncheon at the Sheraton Hotel in Madison. Other 2007 recipients are Rep. Gary Hebl for his valiant work in the Assembly, and Friends of OCAT, which underwrote the cost of establishing the Save Access Wisconsin website.

This is the second year for this award. Last year, Rep. Tammy Baldwin was the first recipient of a similar award for her efforts in the House of Representatives on behalf of PEG stations. Tammy introduced a "Do No Harm" amendment that would have provided a 1% PEG fee and grandfathered all financial and in-kind support for PEG access channels above the 1% level.

The Video Competition Act (SB107) as introduced was designed to abolish PEG stations across the state. We have come a long way in a few weeks from losing nearly every station to saving nearly every station in Wisconsin. No matter what happens in the future with this bill, we are indebted to your strong steadfast leadership that has gotten us to this point.

I am attaching a copy of the brochure for your convenience. Please let us know if you will be able to attend.

Sincerely,

Joel Desprez
President

Cc: Governor Jim Doyle
Ms. Judi Kneece, JATV
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