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## PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

The Honorable Ted Steven United States Senate 522 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dan Inouye United States Senate 722 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairmen Ted and Dan:

Pardon this intrusion on your hectic schedules, but I want to register my strong support for the reappointment and confirmation of FCC Commissioner Deborah Tate whose term expires this June.

I'm impressed that Debbie uses her legal and regulatory expertise primarily to serve consumers and the public interest. But she is also considerate and fair-minded to socially conscious communications industries that gainfully employ millions of the public.

Noteworthy: She reflects a true patriotic heritage. Both her father and father-in-law are distinguished WWII veterans. Her Dad attained the rank of brigadier general in the army. Her father-in laws' B17 was shot down in Germany and he was a German prisoner of war for nine months. All have been invited to my 100<sup>th</sup> birthday dinner, April 21, 2014 at the Army Navy Country Club where we will honor two senior distinguished Senate leaders who are also revered WWII heroes.

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Briefly, both the public and progressive communications industry investments will be well served with her reappointment.

We are fortunate that this knowledgeable, really nice, bi-partisan commissioner is available to continue her dedicated FCC service.

Best always,

Jim (combat veteran - - 23½ years FCC; 8 amphibious landings WWII)