**Greetings Senator Deaver** 

I am writing to ask for your support of HB 1255, public funding support for Prairie Public.

Isn't it interesting that the question is public money for public news, information, education, and entertainment. I say this as:

Prairie Public has been around for 60 years. My wife and I have it on every day and we personally support their efforts.

It's free and reaches rural areas who have more limited news sources. It also has educational broadcasting. My children, as they were growing up, enjoyed many of the programs.

Prairie Public present fact-based news with no biases. It helps me and other ND citizens make informed choices.

Local history and stories of interest, information about the culture of ND and the people of the state, and history on how the state formed and continues to change are a regular part of its programming.

I ask that you strongly support Prairie Public. It is a valued public resource that deserves public funding.

Thanks.

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