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To: ICTC members
Re: Retirement

Dear Commissioners,

This is to inform you that I have retired from my position with the City of Iowa City effective June 26, 2009.

I want to thank each and everyone of you for the dedication, time and energy you have provided to the City. I also want to thank you as staff for the ICTC for the efforts you have put forth - which, thanks to you, made my job much easier than it could have been.

I am sure you are all aware of this, but I want to express how important I feel your work is, and that of the City's, with regard to telecommunications and in particular local community controlled programming. Today, with 6 corporations controlling 90% of the cable TV, newspapers, radio, music industry, production and broadcast companies, the concentration of media and information control has never been more prevalent - and dangerous.

Without efforts like yours on a community level the ability of citizens to communicate with the local population, in a mass media form, would not be possible. And such efforts and local communication opportunities would not be more important.

Thank you again for your dedication.

Sincerely,

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