Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

February 5, 2004

Mr. Leslie Moonves
CBS Television Network
Chairman, President, and CEO
51 West 52nd Street
New York, NY 10019

Dear Mr. Moonves:

We are writing to express our serious outrage over this year's Super Bowl half-time show finale in which a rock star's breast was clearly exposed during "family time" television.

This incident was an appalling example of the deliberately offensive, indecent material bombarding our airwaves and violating the privacy of our homes. Such inappropriate material has no place being aired during an event that brings families together in front of the television.

Given the circumstances involved in the incident, and a statement issued by MTV promising "shocking moments" and a performance the Super Bowl has never seen, we find it difficult to believe that this episode was unplanned. Furthermore, even if the incident was unintended, CBS remains ultimately at fault for failing to utilize its seven-second-delay window intended to prevent such lewd material from reaching the airwaves.

As legislators, and as members of our communities, we are fighting to uphold standards of common decency. We find it unthinkable that CBS and MTV failed to take into consideration the large numbers of children in the Super Bowl viewing audience as well as the fact that most citizens do not welcome such vulgar sexual material in their homes.

We urge you to not only sanction those individuals and entities that were involved in the planning and implementation of this serious violation of indecency standards, but to explain the failure of CBS to use a seven-second delay to prevent such an incident. We also call upon you to enact swift measures to ensure such an incident does not occur again in the future. We look forward to hearing what actions you will be taking on this matter.

Sincerely,

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