From: <u>Marilyn</u>

To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Funding for public radio

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I am a public radio listener, supporter, and voter in Kenai. I appreciate the problems you face with a declining budget. Not allowing funding to help public radio continue to serve its listeners shouldn't even be a budget consideration, however, and will cause serious consequences across Alaska in the way of layoffs, loss of local news and information as well as health and public service notifications. In addition, the current aid supports engineering, and funding for programs like APRN, NPR, and all the other national and international programming we love. Please reconsider reinstating funding for public radio. Personally, my day starts with all of the news from across the world, the kind of in-depth coverage news I can only get on KDLL. Then I listen to the Writer's Almanac with Garrison Keillor, as my treat on the drive to work. Saturday I couldn't clean the kitchen with out Wait Wait Don't Tell Me and Car Talk. Thank you for your consideration. Marilyn Wheeless, Kenai.

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