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Dear Chairman and Distinguished Members of this Committee,

I strongly urge you to vote "YES" on HB 1200. Few Missourians have done more to change the landscape of American media than the late Rush Limbaugh, a native of Cape Girardeau. His passion and his accomplishments are a credit to his state, but he did not develop this passion for activism by chance. His mother, Millie Limbaugh, was as rock-solid as they come. Millie was a dear friend of our founder Phyllis Schlafly, another Missourian who had a passion for grassroots engagement in politics.

Missouri should be proud to honor a true radio pioneer like Rush. He was not just another radio host. He developed a new age of talk radio whose mark can still be felt today in countless other voices. He delivered independent news and commentary long before the idea of "fake news" was popularized by President Donald Trump.

Future generations of Missourians should strive to be more like Rush Limbaugh. They should want to innovate, improve, and express their patriotism with pride. They should never back down from feats which have never been accomplished before. They should never be pressured into silence by political elites. Rush Limbaugh set a bold example for others to follow. The people of his home state would do well to honor his memory.

Please vote "YES" on HB 1200.

All the best.

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