WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

FOR THOSE WHO MISSED THE ANNOUNCEMENT FRIDAY, AND AGAIN YESTERDAY, MOODY RADIO HAS RECONSIDERED THEIR DECISION TO STOP DISTRIBUTING THEIR KID'S PROGRAMS FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS. YOUR RESPONSE HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE. DURING THIS TIME THEY WILL BE WORKING TO COME UP WITH A PLAN TO CONTINUE MAKING THOSE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE INDEFINITELY. THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS IS THE PROGRAM RANGER BILL. QUOTING FROM THEIR LETTER TO ME, "We know the program has value, but the stereotypical depiction of the Native American character Grey Wolf is inappropriate and disrespectful. Unfortunately, that character is intertwined throughout each episode, so we are retiring Ranger Bill from on-air distribution effective December 31, 2020."

I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO GET THE OPINION OF LISTENERS WHO ARE INDIGENOUS-NATIVE AMERICAN WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE PROGRAM RANGER BILL.

YOU CAN ALSO GIVE YOUR COMMENTS DIRECTLY TO MOODY RADIO BY CALLING 312.329.4300 or EMAILING moodyradio@moody.edu.

SO MANY HAVE WRITTEN TO EXPRESS THEIR THANKS FOR BEING ON THE AIR DURING THIS YEAR'S CHALLENGES WITH COVID. LORRAINE WROTE TO SAY,

DEAR FRIENDS. A BLESSED HOLIDAY TO ALL OF YOU. WITHOUT SO MANY TRAPPINGS THIS YEAR, IT'S A GOOD TIME TO JUST WORSHIP AND PRAISE HIM. LAST JULY I WAS DIAGNOSED WITH OVARIAN CANCER. QUITE A SHOCK AT MY AGE OF NEARLY 79. NO ONE ALLOWED IN WITH ME UPON SURGERY, CHEMO, ETC. BUT MY LORD COULD BE WITH ME EVERY TIME! I JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS MY THANKFULNESS FOR YOUR RADIO STATION DURING THIS TIME AND EVERY DAY. I WAS GIVEN STRENGTH AND FAITH WHEN I WAS FAILING WITH WONDERFUL WORDS AND MUSIC. AND NOW CHRISTMAS; MY HUSBAND AND I WILL BE ABLE TO CELEBRATE ALONE TOGETHER WITH YOU AND JESUS! LOVING CHILDREN ARE HAVING TO BE CAREFUL BECAUSE OF COVID. I AM TELLING THEM WE WILL BE OKAY; YOUR RADIO FAMILY WILL TAKE CARE OF US!

EACH TIME A PROGRAM AIRS, A SONG IS PLAYED OR WE OPEN THE MIC TO TALK WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW OR WHO THAT PROGRAMMING IS HELPING IN SOME WAY. IT'S ALL GOD'S DOING AND WE PRAISE HIM FOR WHAT HE IS DOING AND FOR ALLOWING US TO BE USED BY HIM IN THIS WAY. YOUR SUPPORT OF WRVM MAKES THIS MINISTRY POSSIBLE.

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME FOR THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.