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# Wieder: We Need To Make Sure All Residents Have Access To Local Radio Programming

## Calls Upon FCC To Look Into Matter

New City, NY (Nov. 23, 2016) – Rockland County Legislator Aron B. Wieder is calling upon the FCC to help ensure that residents have easy access to local radio programming.

“Many people who are not on the internet, especially senior citizens and the poor, now have no access to local programming,” Wieder said. “People are now cut off from local news and do not have access to sometimes important local announcements.”

Wieder said he wants the Federal Communications Commission to review the issue and determine ways to help.

The FCC regulates interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. territories.

Some radio programming has moved to internet-only, satellite-only or smartphone app-only access. Most of those options involve a cost versus traditional radio, which offers free access.

“I call upon the FCC to look into this matter to help the neediest in our community,” Wieder said. “They should not be left out of the community’s conversations or isolated from what is happening in their local community.”

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