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## **Script:**

Hi, my name is **[NAME]**. I live in **[TOWN, CITY, STATE]**.

I'm calling to urge **[SENATOR NAME]** to oppose efforts to eliminate federal funding for public media. The majority of this funding is intended to support local stations like mine, **[LOCAL STATION NAME]**. My local station is a vital part of my community—it connects us and keeps us informed on issues of local importance, especially during emergencies. It supports local businesses and community organizations. Without this funding, stations like ours could go dark. That's not a risk I'm willing to accept. Please vote NO on rescission and protect our state's local stations.

I urge **[SENATOR NAME]** to safeguard this service for your constituents, like me.

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**Script: [If you know your Member of Congress supports public media funding]**

Hi, my name is **[NAME]**. I live in **[TOWN, CITY, STATE]**.

I'm calling to thank **[SENATOR NAME]** for opposing efforts to eliminate federal funding for public media. My local station, **[LOCAL STATION NAME]**, is a vital part of our community—it connects us and keeps us informed on issues of local importance, especially during emergencies. Please continue to oppose rescission and work with others in the Senate to save this national treasure. We must continue bipartisan support for public media. Thank you for voting NO on rescission and safeguarding this service for your constituents, like me.

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You can locate the phone number of your Senator's office [here](#).