SEPARATE STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL J. COPPS

Re: Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., Licensee, Station KRON-TV, San Francisco, Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture ("NAL")

I am pleased that this Commission is finally taking an initial step against indecency on television. That being said, I am disappointed that this complaint was filed over 15 months ago and we are just now addressing it. When we allow complaints to languish for over a year, the message is loud and clear that the FCC is not serious about enforcing our nation's laws. Meanwhile, numerous other complaints about indecency on television remain unaddressed. I hope we will take up those complaints expeditiously. The time has come for this Commission to take a firm stand against the "race to the bottom" on the public's airwaves.