I just had the misfortune to see Mark Hyman's "The Point" on WCID in Champaign, IL. This is a Sinclair Media station. If nothing else supports the need for local ownership, this should do it. The "commentary" that this media conglomerate offers on the local news programming is trash. It was so full of hyperbole and blantent falifications that it hardly qualifies as a commentary. Frankly, the text alone likely reads like an article from the satirical "The Onion."

Sinclair Media's abuse of the airwaves during the last presidential election were only part of the puzzle. The ongoing use of the public's airwaves to promote clearly partisan, centrally produced lies such as those foisted upon us by Mark Hyman is an obscenity far greater than anything that Michael Powell pursued after the Superbowl or at any other time.

Give the public airwaves back to the public and support localism ownership and the balance laws that I remember making news programming worth watching years ago.