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Dear Ms. Dove,

I am writing regarding the FEC's decision to disallow public funds matching for donations made through ActBlue. I urge you to reconsider this decision and to allow public fund matching for those donations. The donations through ActBlue go directly from the person making the donation to the campaign of the candidate and is not controlled in any way by ActBlue itself. ActBlue essentially represents a new use of technology to involve small-money donors in the political process, rather than a "political action committee" in the traditional sense of the term. In my opinion, the FEC should be encouraging use of ActBlue-like websites by viewing them as the equivalent of direct contributions to campaigns. Please promote free political speech and participation by regular people in campaigns of all sizes rather than suppressing it.

Thank you,
Bart Wise
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