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Ms. Elizabeth Murphy  
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Dear Ms. Murphy:

As a small business owner here in West Virginia, I hope my opinion and my voice will be heard. The proposed SEC rule on shareholder proxy access must not be approved. This is just another ploy by our federal government to gain more control of our lives.

Glaspell Goals is a business that I started a little over one year ago as an independent contractor. I provide clerical services for those organizations that require this type of work. At this time, I am very fortunate to be able to work out of my home. My hope is to be able to enjoy retirement within the next five years. My concern is for those businesses in which my husband, Richard, and I have investments through our 401k plans, mutual funds, annuities and our stock holdings. We fear that the changes being considered by the SEC will have a negative effect that could damage our retirement investments.

A change in the way that companies elect board members will cost those companies more in campaign and election expenses. This cost, of course, will affect their bottom line and will weaken our already struggling economy. My opposition to this bill is also based on my feelings that the federal government is already too involved in both private and public businesses. The proposed rule change allows the preemption of state regulations. Do not allow our personal rights and our state rights to continually be trampled on by the federal government. Please, work toward the defeat of this proposal.

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Glaspell  
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