ref: The Department of Justice Review of the Paramount Consent Decrees
August 2018
(United States v. Paramount Pictures, Inc., 334 U.S. 131 (1948))

The Hi Road Drive In and the Elder Theatre are
small businesses operating a Drive-In Theatre in Kenton, OH and One
single screen indoor Theatre (the only Theatre in the county) in
Jackson Center, OH

I am commenting on the aforementioned Review of the Paramount Consent
Decrees.

I fully support the “Comments by the United Drive-In Theatre Owners
Association.”, “Comments of the National Association of Theatre Owners”,
and the “Comments of the Independent Cinema Alliance” made in reference to
the above.

These theatres that I operate and work at have been around for a long
time, serving the viewing needs of my community. The Elder Theatre is
75 years old, we have operated it for 36 years. The Hi Road Drive in
is 68 years old and we have operated it for 20 years. So you can see
we are dedicated to this industry.

I am very concerned that sweeping changes or
a rescission of the decree may be devastating to my businesses that not
only employ a good number of local workers, but also offer the area
residents entertainment options.

While I think that some changes or modifications to the ruling may be in
order, I respectfully urge a careful and considerate look at the potential
damage and impact that drastic changes could cause to small, independently
operated movie theatres.

I thank the Department for an opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Avalon Entertainment
Elder Theatre
Hi Road Drive In