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I am writing to you as an avid reader. I both listen to audio books, own a Kindle, and read the real thing. I fervently hope that the Agency Model will be implemented to enable independent booksellers to remain in business by being allowed to be competitive in their pricing. Independent booksellers are an integral part of a community on many levels. They allow one to browse, they encourage young readers by offering a tangible book with pictures for children, they encourage family reading habits, which are so badly needed, and they provide collaborative, interactive, and interpersonal sharing of literary experiences, which is becoming harder and harder to come by in our individualized, technical world. I own the gadgets, belong to online reading activities....so I do not represent a disappearing generation of techno gripers!

So, please help these booksellers to participate in the e-market so that they do not get forced into extinction!

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