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Foreword

Welcome to the freshly updated, and painstakingly prepared fifth edition of *Media Promotion and Marketing*. When PROMAX agreed to support the efforts of the publisher, our overriding goal was to make certain that each edition of this book was the most relevant, up-to-date, and practical book of its kind anywhere.

Thousands of hours have been committed by the authors, with the support of scores of television organizations worldwide, to ensure that when you review this book's contents, you'll be getting the most valuable learning experience available in print about promotion and marketing in the television, radio, cable, and news media fields.

It isn't easy. The pace at which the industry sheds old technologies for breathtaking new ones is staggering. New consumer applications of entertainment technology are now sweeping the globe quickly, as our industry races to keep up with viewers. We'd like to acknowledge the generosity of the many television and media organizations that have so enthusiastically provided materials for this work.

So, welcome to your new guidebook to our world of television and the challenges of finding viewers and drawing them to channels, programs, and technologies. We hope that as you read, you'll begin to feel a passion for this global world of television and be inspired to contribute your gifts to its future.

Jim Chabin President & CEO PROMAX&BDA

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