## Folks,

I'm not very good with this stuff so let me get the formalities out of the way: I have tendered my resignation effective at the close of business today. Why? To be honest; family .. life .. relationships. I have spent the last two weeks spending time with Tina and as I write this note, I am watching my son wrestle in North Dakota. For too many years I have neglected my personal relationships and now I want to make amends. With two teenage kids, time is ticking and I don't want to look back and wonder "what if". Fortunately, Disney has been kind enough to understand.

14 years at the helm of Eyewitness News has been a true privilege. I could not have dreamed about working with a better group of professionals. We have all spent untold hours covering every imaginable news story from around the world. The memories are exceptional, historic and too numerous to name or remember. You mean nearly as much to me as my family and perhaps therein lies my crossroads.

So onward we move. For me, I will be just down the street looking forward to spending quality time with the family and watching you guys continue to be the best news operation in town. I trust that everyone will give the next leader of this great organization the same hard work and dedication that you afforded me.

I appreciate all of your hard work and I want to thank each of you for the memories and the love you have provided me and my family.

As most of you know, I'm not that into cake and goodbye gatherings. So please don't be offended with a simple goodbye note. I'll be stopping by within a few weeks to see how y'all are doing.

I'll see you soon.

Dave

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