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Dear Mister Mike:

The \$1,000 check from NEAR-Fest was received in yesterday's mail from Jeremy KB1REQ. ARRL has deposited this contribution into the Spectrum Defense Fund.

ARRL is greatly appreciative of the NEAR-Fest Committee's efforts to spread the word about the importance of protecting Amateur Radio frequencies, and encouraging individuals and clubs to financially support these endeavors. The challenge match was a wonderful idea to increase awareness of spectrum defense, and I thank you – and all the committee members – for all you have done over this past year this promote this initiative.

Through this gift, you are providing critical resources to help ARRL staff and volunteers maintain our vigilance to protect radio amateurs' access to the radio spectrum. The explosive growth in demand for spectrum to support commercial broadband services is generating tremendous pressure on incumbent services, including Amateur Radio.

Again, many thanks for all your effort to promote the NEAR-Fest Challenge Match and this \$1,000 contribution to support the Spectrum Defense Fund. With your help, we can look forward to the challenges ahead with confidence and conviction.

Sincerely,

Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD
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Jeremy Breef-Pilz, KB1REQ

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