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Dear Mr. Read,

I was a book-hungry child, who grew up during the depression with very few books at home and no access to a library. When I was in high school and allowed to go to the library I loved it, but nothing nothing was more engaging than getting to a city where I could visit book stores: Where I could hold & examine book after book and finally decide on which to buy. Bookstores nourished my love of reading as well as art, cooking, and astronomy.

Amazon has already reduced the number of brick and mortar bookstores. As a writer I've found that independent bookstores are the booksellers who help my titles. Alas, all my trade books are out of print. Book stores are important for the vitality of our towns & cities.

I hope that you do what you can to limit Amazon's predatory practices.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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