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Copyright Office

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you in regards the proposed new US Copyright Act. I am professional artist with more than 30 years of experience in the field of humor and commercial illustration. In the past few years I have started to produce watercolor paintings and have exhibited my artwork in local venues as well as internationally.

I am concerned that the new law would affect the intellectual/artistic property of my artwork making it 'available' to anyone interested in using it for purposes it was not intended for without my knowledge and authorization and this may result in unlawful monetary gain for someone else. Some of the work I do such as humor illustration/caricature can be used for other purposes only with my express authorization. In the majority of cases, I make it clear to the clients that the artwork cannot be reproduced.

As part of promotional materials, I post newly finished pieces and always add a © sign and a disclaimer because I consider my artwork to be my property.

Please consider this letter a formal request for not implementing or pursuing such new law.

Thank you,

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