Ms. Maria Pallante
Register of Copyrights
U.S. Copyright Office
101 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, DC 20559-6000

July 22, 2015

Dear Ms. Maria Pallante and the Copyright Office,

My name is George Moss, I am the creator, illustrator, designer, and owner for a company called Gmoss Designs, LLC. My company creates original artwork, products, and designs for myself, clients, and companies. My company has been in existence in the graphic design and the fashion design industry for ten years. My company uses my original art, cartoon characters, illustrations, and stories to fund itself, and also to encourage people to use their talents to uplift their communities around them.

I ask you to not pass the Orphan Works Act. My company makes its income from my creations, and my copyrights. Artists need to advertise their work on the internet and in the public without fear of someone taking their art and using it without their permission. Artists should not be forced to hand over the rights of their own creations (their property) for free to persons or companies who would like to say they cannot find the owner and use the art or photo without paying for it. This should not be legalized. This is not right and is unfair to the creator of the work.

Many Artists are strugglingt to make a living. If this Orphan Works Act passes, they will no longer have an opportunity to make a good licensing deal for their own work or support themselves from their creations. Again, I ask you to not replace the copyright laws, and do not pass the Orphan Works Act.

Thank you in advance for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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