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Hello!

I urge the copyright office, congress, and any others who may have a hand in:

As a person making (or perhaps I should say eking out) a living in the arts to not rework existing copyright law so as to allow works to be easily orphaned or modified by third parties.

Do not make ideas harder to protect and easy to legally usurp.

Do not require us to have a lawyer's understanding of the law to create content safely.

I do not want personal photos to be borrowed, ran through a filter or otherwise amended, and be sold as art or stock.

I do not want my original works, be they visual, audio, or prose, to be taken over by those who can better afford bulk registration fees.

Do not make the arts "pay to play: or else." It would be harmful to the creatives... but, I suppose, wonderful for those who seek to profit from them.

Again, I urge a rejection of this.

Thank you,

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