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To whom it may concern:

It is critical that the owner of a physical device, legally purchased, is able to use that device to its fullest potential - even if that potential was not envisioned by the original manufacturer's software. The most significant innovation in computing in the past decade or more has been in putting the same hardware to new, unanticipated uses, using legally obtained software installed with user permission.

A computer improves with each new version of Windows, Linux, or Mac OS X installed, though the manufacturing company of that computer may not have envisioned these future innovations. A user should always have the final say of what software runs on his or her hardware.

By exempting the creation and use of software other than the manufacturer's (known as 'jailbreaking'), you allow the potential for further innovation and creation beyond the imagination of a single company.

It is this type of freedom, to use hardware platform beyond its original intent, which gave rise to most of the software we have today, including the Linux operating system (which now runs most of the world's stock exchanges and websites).

It is difficult to overstate the chilling effect a lapse in the DMCA extension would have on innovation on new and better platforms such as cell phones, tablet computers, and others.

Respectfully,

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