To whom this may concern,

I am writing to you in regards to the Orphan Works Acts(?). I have been an artist for as long as I can recall, it has been a part of my life and I find it my responsibility to stand up for the right act.

Taking away someone's ownership to their intellectual property is injustice. Taking away a person's ownership with their creative work will devalue anything that has to do with one's creative freedom. Without creativity what do we possess? We would have no wind turbines. We would have no models of new cars. No company would pay an individual to make the couches you sit on. What future do artists have if you belittle their hard work and creative freedom? How will they get paid, by a simple gratitude? No, because the artwork isn't classified as the artist's property anymore. Not only does it influence the artists that are working right now, but the dreams of our next generation that aspire to be artists will crumble. Our next generation of students will be going through years of art school and will be in debt for over $100,000. Those students could potentially find a job as an artist, but not if this act is passed. I could go on and on about what makes this act wrong, however I won't. Instead I will put it into simpler words, my child has made this beautiful art by no means is it a masterpiece. Nonetheless it is his artwork. One day a bully takes that artwork and says it's his art now. Nonetheless how do we prove otherwise? Well we won't be able to. This is what we are bringing to our future, a whole bunch of bullies. Who will be the victims? The artists who simple want to be able to make a career out of something they are passionate about. The artist who want to be able to shape the next generations era, shape the next bmw model, televisions, or cell phone, etc.

An important part of one's freedom is one's creative. And I simply urge you, don't take that away from us.

Sincerly,
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