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RE: Notice of Inquiry, Copyright Office, Library of Congress
Copyright Protection for Certain Visual Works (Docket No. 2015-01) (80fr23054)

Dear Ms. Pallante and the Copyright Office Staff,

My name is Cameron Cummings, and I am a high school senior in Oregon. I've just heard word that for the past year, congress has been holding hearings to draft a new US Copyright Act, and that you're asking those concerned to write letters to you. I don't work professionally, but I would not like a stranger using my work for their own profit without my knowledge or consent.

I am writing to you as someone who enjoys spending their free time creating stories to benefit others lives; to make people smile, laugh, and learn more about the world we live in. I hope to someday publish my own books, but I do know that "The Next Great Copyright Act" would not legally bind my Constitutional right to control my work and would allow infringers to alter my work and copyright that in their own names. This would make it much more difficult for me to make a living off of my work; this new act will effect the art I have created, am creating, and will create in the future.

This new act will pressure me to register my work with commercial registries and disregard unregistered work. I understand that the new act would allow corporates, big businesses, and publishers more revenue, but it will allow them to make money off of my work without paying me for my work.

I know that I am still young, I can easily switch my career path to something that could allow me a more stable income, but I love creating stories and I want to spend the rest of my life doing so. I want to be doing something I enjoy as a career rather than waiting for the hours to go by.

I hope that you will take my point of view into consideration, thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Cameron Cummings