To All Concerned,

The copyright of works belongs to the creators of the works. Those creatives own that right from the moment the new work is created. There should be no need to register the work in order to prove ownership.

Please do not give others the right to claim ownership of a work found on the internet or elsewhere by calling it orphaned. Protecting creatives is protected everyone.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lanza, a self employed, self supporting illustrator for more than forty-five years