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Attn: Copyright Office

I am a professional artist and graphic designer, and have been working in this field for nearly 30 years. I have a Bachelor's degree in graphic design with many additional years of training and extended education that supports my business. I have won numerous awards for my fine art, and have published two children's picture books.

My art is my livelihood. My copyrights are the products I produce. Infringing on the those rights like stealing money from my pocket. I must remain able to determine how and by whom my work is used. My work does NOT lose its value upon publication. I continue to use my images as my business inventory long after they are created and published. As a small business person, I cannot afford to register all my images, yet I still consider each image to be copyrighted.

Please consider the repercussions of the "Next Great Copyright Act" and do NOT move forward with the changes to the orphan rights act that are being considered.

Thank you.

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