Dear Representatives,

I am writing in regards to the US Copyright act that is under consideration. I want to let you know how this act **affects me and my son who is autistic.** I am an illustrator/artist. I license my work to companies and one image can be licensed for different products to different companies. Once published my work does **NOT** lose it's value upon publication.It becomes a part of **my** business inventory. One single image has been on plates, napkins ,toweIs, trays, coasters and mugs. I receive a % from each of these products sales. I have licensed images on pillows, napkins, mugs, plates, needlepoint, greeting cards, gift bags, towels, coasters, garden flags, rugs, tumblers and stationary products. I have been an illustrator for over 30 years and graduated from the Columbus College of Art and Design.

Most recently I have been doing work with my son who is autistic with a collection called **Two Can Art** and my partner companies have been giving a % of sales to autism organizations. I am saving our Two Can Art profits for my son's long term future.
I am building the Two Can Art brand and have it placed in mid to high end stores. It is vitally important that I remain able to determine how and by whom our work is used. This is how our perceived value and quality of product is determined. Under the new law I would not have the control over where we would be placed as well as having someone use the very personal work that we have done together for their own profit and use. **This literally steals from my son and I.**

For us the copyright issue is **NOT** an abstract issue. It is the basis on which our business and our livelihood rests.

Please do not pass this legislation.

Most Sincerely,
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