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Hello. My name is Ryan Kroboth, and you don't know me. If the proposed changes to the copyright law are passed, you never will.

I am an artist who is seeking to build a career in comic books, which has been a dream since I was a child. I put my time, dedication, and my heart into all of my work. More often times than not, I put my money into it as well. I see it as an investment in my future. As I am an individual who is just starting out, my name is all that I have.

If you take my opportunity to be able to build that name, by making everything I create not my own, you take away that possibility of being able to chase my dreams. I will never be able to sustain that which drives me, motivates me to create, and capture the imagination of those I meet. Any person could take that work, and therefore take the value from a product that I believe only I can provide.

Even if I have yet to attain my dreams, I know I am an inspiration to those around me. I am always being asked how far along I am to meeting my goals, especially by those who are not creative individuals. To them, I am a reminder that anyone can chase their dreams and anything is possible. How, then, would they feel if I told them it was all pointless?

Artists, throughout time, have uplifted civilizations. Society should always move forward, never backward. We should care about people, not corporations.

Please, give me the possibility of a future.

Please, give me the chance to follow my dreams.

Please, give me the opportunity to build my name.

In hope that you hear my voice,

Ryan Kroboth