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Maria Pallante Register of Copyrights U.S. Copyright Office
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RE: Notice of Inquiry, Copyright Office, Library of Congress Copyright Protection for Certain Visual Works (Docket No. 2015-01) Dear Ms. Pallante & U.S. Copyright Office Staff

I am writing today to urge you to not make the proposed changes to the Copyright Laws we currently have. I am an artist and I work hard at creating my art. The changes you propose will make it easier for others to steal art from any artist. It is already bad enough. I hear other artists who encounter people who steal their art and sell it as their own. It also is hard enough for artists to make a living because many artists are continually asked to donate a piece of art for charity purposes.

I don't understand, and would love for you to explain to me, the reasons for the changes. We work hard to create our own style and it really is developed over years of hard work. Our art is a piece of us. Please don't allow anyone to use our art whenever they want.

Nancy Beardsley