Hello,

I am writing to you all about the return of the Orphan Works copyright legalities that are currently trying to be approved. Please do not let this go into law. I am currently studying and working extremely hard to be a successful freelance artist in the scientific arts, and this law would void my exclusive control of my work. It could, in theory, lead to me not being able to feed myself because someone doesn't want to pay me for things that I make if I cannot register all of them. Registering would be a pain because like most businesses today I rely on being online rather than mostly in real life advertising and that requires me to put a lot of work online including sketches, casual doodles, etc.

America is all about getting yourself off the ground and following your dreams, at least from what I've been told. Please do not let my dream starve and die for people who want to not pay me for my work because they are lazy and cheap enough to steal art. You wouldn't let a lawyer or a senator or even a president not get paid for their work- why would you not let me get paid for the blood, sweat and tears of my work by these "good faith" (which is a big fat lie) infringers?

Please consider us,

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