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RE: Copyright Protection for Certain Visual Works

Dear Ms. Pallante and the Copyright Office Staff:

I want to thank you for taking interest for the copyright laws regarding digital and visual works. However, I can not express how imposing and destructive it would be if you passed these laws. I've been a visual artist for years now. For us, it is already hard enough to properly offer our services with the current laws. With many people taking our art and making a profit off of our work, please focus more on the idea of stopping theft in our communities and businesses.

While this won't be as strongly written as businesses who you will completely destroy if you pass the Orphan Laws regarding Copyright Protection, you will destroy the only way I can possibly gain an income should the need arise that I can't get constant work elsewhere with my current set of skills.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, and PLEASE reconsider, for if you do proceed, you will destroy the lives and livelyhoods of many hardworking artists.

Signed:

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