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Once again we thank the Copyright Office for issuing this special Notice of Inquiry; and we ask you to please recommend to Congress that the House Judiciary Subcommittee conduct further hearings to take the direct testimony of artists, both visual artists and others, regarding the challenges that all creative authors face in the digital era.

"Because **Article 1, Section 8** of the Constitution grants authors the exclusive rights to their work, it is our understanding that those rights cannot be abridged without a constitutional amendment."

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