I'm a working, taxpaying writer. I've published under six surnames and one pseudonym in dozens of markets, many now defunct. It would be easy for some big corporation to claim they couldn't find me, and I wouldn't even know until too late.

I've always been grateful to the framers of the Constitution who included copyright among the protections the new American government should provide. I need all I can earn from re-working and re-issuing my work, which I created in reliance on basic principles your office has always upheld. Please don't give up those principles.

Please hold hearings where working writers can explain how proposed orphan rules would affect us.

Thank you.