Dear Copyright Office,

I am an architect, graphic designer and illustrator and have been working in various creative fields for over 30 years. I am very concerned about the possibility of changing existing copyright laws that would weaken protections of artists' work.

In particular, I am concerned about provisions that would allow others to alter my work and copyright "derivative" work in their own name. I do not believe it is just to "orphan" unregistered work.

Please help to preserve the livelihood of people in creative industries, many who work with a passion for their art with minimal compensation as it is. Depriving us of our due ownership causes material harm to the community and makes for a more hostile world. Shouldn't we be encouraging the arts instead of waging an assault on them?

Allowing others to use our work without compensation is patently unfair.

Thank you for your consideration of my views,

Julie Hampton