ATTN: U.S. Copyright Office

RE: Impact of Copyright on the creative individual

8/22/15

As a creative individual who makes my living through artistic endeavors, the importance of retaining the legal rights to my imagery cannot be overstated. I depend financially on the ability to resell the images I create. To lose control over the usage of work I've spent years cultivating would result in financial loss and a blatant disregard for the segment of society dedicated to beauty and imagination. The arts often suffer from a general lack of respect in our country and that, in turn, makes it more difficult for an artist to succeed. Our work is not always valued as much as that of STEM-related professions and this is reflected in our income. Why make it even more difficult for us by impacting our income and damaging the control we have of the work we create?

Please, protect our copyrights which, in turn, will assist greatly in enabling us to continue the work we do.

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