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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you today to ask for the renewal of the exemption to the DMCA as it pertains to smartphones, tablets, personal computers and gaming consoles. While I believe we as users should be able to modify any device that we bought and paid for I am mainly focused on smartphones. I consider myself a hobbyist who likes to unlock the full potential of my device. I like to create customizations to make my device look and act how I like. While I mainly create graphical customizations I also enjoy assisting other developers with their work, namely custom ROMs/operating systems.

I have been able to enjoy my smartphone far beyond it's market life (which when it comes to technology is classically very short) due to the fact that I can customize it and update it to my liking that may not always be supported from the manufacturer or carrier.

Through the unlocking of my device I have come to have a better understanding of its operation and function and in turn have been able to assist other users when they have questions.

Please renew the exemption so that we can continue to enjoy our devices to their full potential and have an outlet for our creativity.

Thank you for your time,

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