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Dear Ms. Espinel,

The ASMP and the Copyright Alliance have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator.

I have been a professional photographer for over thirty years and my business is built on the creation and licensing of my photographs. Over my career I have created a body of copyrighted photographs that continues to help generate the income to support my family. To this day I continue to receive inquiries from businesses and individuals who would like to license my existing photographs for their projects. That is in addition to those who commission me to create new photographs to help market their small business. It is extremely important to the success of my business and my ability to generate income that I retain the protection for my photographs that copyright law offers. Any additional copyright protections that the U.S. government can afford to all creators that help stave off piracy, infringement and copyright encroachment will help keep all our business solvent for the future. Piracy and infringement eats away at my income and the ability to run a profitable photography business and in turn my ability to support other small businesses that I would use in the creation of my photographs.

Thank you for this opportunity to have my voice heard.

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