



1 and useful arts, by securing for limited times to authors and inventors  
2 the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries"; and

3 WHEREAS, The exclusive right of authors and inventors to their  
4 intellectual property is being subjected to increased infringement and  
5 threats of infringement by both public and private entities, ranging  
6 from global piracy to illegal sharing of content files on college  
7 campuses to government abrogation; and

8 WHEREAS, State legislatures and Congress have the duty to limit  
9 both public and private infringements of private entities' rights to  
10 the use and enjoyment of physical and intellectual property on matters  
11 within the authority of the legislatures, and to oppose such violations  
12 on matters without their authority;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United  
14 States Congress join with the State Legislatures and work to restore,  
15 protect, and enhance intellectual and physical property rights by  
16 reviewing present federal law, pending federal legislation, and all  
17 trade agreements.

18 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
19 transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United  
20 States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the  
21 House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of  
22 Washington.

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