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The Copyright Alliance and A2IM (the U.S. independent music label trade organization) have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator. I am an artist in a Rock band that is fighting to make a living. I believe that the creation of art and culture is something worth pursuing. The only way to ensure that art continues to grow and change is to ensure that those who create art get compensated for their work, i.e. their copyrights. The intellectual property generated when my band writes a new song must be protected in order for us to write more songs. If those rights are not protected, there will be no money and we will not be able to pay bills, and we will have to end up getting regular jobs. The independent rock scene in New Orleans, LA where The Revivalists live is rich and diverse. We need to protect our intellectual property in order to ensure that it stays that way.

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