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Copyright Alliance Applauds House for Decisive Passage of 'Register of Copyrights Selection and Accountability Act' (H.R. 1695)

Bill is critical to modernization of the U.S. Copyright Office

Washington, D.C. – The Copyright Alliance applauded today’s passage of the Register of Copyrights Selection and Accountability Act (H.R. 1695) by a House vote of 378-48.

According to Copyright Alliance CEO Keith Kupferschmid, “we commend all who demonstrated backing for this important piece of legislation, enabling it to be passed through the House with tremendous bipartisan support, on the momentous occasion of World IP Day.”

“As we continue to assert, the Register of Copyrights position is essential to the U.S. economy, creativity and culture, a status that should be acknowledged by making the role a presidential appointee subject to Senate confirmation. Making the Register a presidential appointee as provided in H.R. 1695 will not only ensure that the selection process is more neutral, balanced, and transparent but it’s also critical to the continued modernization of the U.S. Copyright Office. We look forward to continued support for this issue in the Senate,” Kupferschmid added.

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About the Copyright Alliance

The Copyright Alliance is a non-profit, non-partisan public interest and educational organization representing the copyright interests of over 1.8 million individual creators and over 13,000 organizations in the United States, across the spectrum of copyright disciplines. The Copyright Alliance is dedicated to advocating policies that promote and preserve the value of copyright, and to protecting the rights of creators and innovators. For more information, please visit www.copyrightalliance.org.

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