To whom it may concern,

I am a woman owned US business. I am extremely concerned by the USPTO’s proposed $100-$200 fee to submit a Letter of Protest (LOP). The LOP is the only way for small businesses to be able to have any voice against frivolous trademarks that are being sent to the USPTO on a daily basis. Many of these trademarks are text based and merely ornamental and do not function as real trademarks. If anything, the additional fee should be the burden of the trademark applicant.

I appreciate the work of the USPTO, but can not support the proposed fee. It would mean the closure of my print on demand business. Please maintain the ability to present LOP evidence that supports using trademarks in the way the law intends.

Sincerely,
Kealoha Harmon