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USPTO:

I am writing to state my opposition to the practice of granting patents for computer software. I have spent my entire working career writing software, and five years ago co-founded a technology company that runs entirely on custom-developed software.

As a result of the historical granting of software patents for solutions and algorithms that I would consider obvious in the course of doing my work, I now constantly fear that my work will someday be found to infringe.

One consequence of that fear is that I do not allow myself or the software engineers employed by me to read or study any software patents. In my estimation, the cost of being found to willfully infringe on a patent exceeds the learning value that might come from reading and understanding the patent itself.

This is counter productive on multiple levels, and is a direct threat to the my personal economic safety as well as to the long-term financial prospects of my business.

Regards,  
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