



Dear Chorus leaders,

As you know by now, we are currently planning a Virtual Region 12 celebration for April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1st. The chorus celebration will start Saturday afternoon, May 1, at 1:00 p.m. The e-mail survey that was sent to choruses resulted in a consensus to keep this event completely celebratory. So, with that in mind, if you would like to submit something, the following is information that will help you to start planning with your chorus. There are several options for you to think about such as:

- \* a virtual chorus creation that you have created or are going to create
- \* a previous performance or competition video
- \* photos and an original greeting from your chorus with background music.
- \* Any other creative ideas you can come up with
- \* If your chorus is not able to do a video recording, consider submitting a JumboTron Ad with greetings from your chorus. More details about the JumboTron ads will be in future bulletins.

The only limitation is that it should be four (4) minutes or less. These video submissions will need to be received by April 1 in order to allow time to compile the Celebration video. Future bulletins will have more details as to where and how to send the videos.

I'm attaching a document about Copyright regulations that I received from International. In addition, if you use a song that is in Public Domain you do not need any licensing for the song, but you do need permission from the arranger. Our Regional Celebration will be posted on YouTube as it was last year. We understand that there is some financial expense in this and that many of our choruses do not have extra resources right now. In order to help ease this, the RMT has agreed to offer a stipend of up to \$200 to each chorus who has expenses related to the creation and production of a video. You will just need to submit a listing of related expenses to the Regional Finance Coordinator after the Celebration for reimbursement.

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