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Friends, we are living in unprecedented times. Even our concept of "time" is going to be severely warped in the weeks and months ahead. No matter the challenge, I want to assure you that your PCC Family is here to stay, and is here to support you.

I would like to provide some important updates on our programs:

- **All in-person singer and volunteer activities have been canceled until April 15.** We will continue to follow the closure policy of the Escambia County School District, and we will make adjustments as necessary.
- **Showtime is ON!** However, it's anyone's guess as to when it will happen. We will be disseminating practice tracks and videos, as well as weekly progress goals to help singers advance in their learning in the weeks we are apart. Staff will be available to help with music and dance questions.
- **Summer tours are in jeopardy.** We have already canceled the Festival & Lyric Tour to Orlando and the high school tour to Chicago. We will make a call on the Concert & Ensemble Tour to Orlando as more information on our itinerary emerges.
- **Community is key.** We will be utilizing the Zoom Meeting platform to create forums for our singers and families. These groups include our individual choirs, the Y'All Come Family groups, and the Senior Class of 2020. We will also offer virtual office hours with staff members.
- **We will make music together.** We are actively investigating several opportunities to create music with one another. I am engaging my colleagues on a national level to determine the most meaningful ways to do this, and we will send out a schedule of programming early next week.

As you can see, we are doing our very best to offer meaningful programming to our community during this difficult time. However, this crisis has the potential to dramatically impact the future health of the organization. By my present calculations, PCC will likely lose over \$170,000 in anticipated revenue this year. As a not-for-profit organization, this prospect is staggering. I know that many of you are questioning your family's own financial prospect during these trying times. If you are worried about your family's ability to meet your financial commitment to PCC, please feel free to contact me and we'll find a way to help. In the meantime, please keep us in your thoughts as we aggressively seek ways to build up our financial stability in the coming years.

More than ever, we need each other, even though we must be apart. Like all of you, we are taking this one day at a time. We recognize the role that our organization plays in the lives of our singers and our families, and we will seek to honor you as we develop meaningful programming in the weeks and months ahead.

Give us grace. It's going to be a bumpy ride, but at least we'll do it together.

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