Menlo Park, CA 94025

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The ASCAP Legislative Fund for the Arts One Lincoln Plaza New York, N.Y. 10023

Dear ASCAP,

I have been a composer member of ASCAP for several years. I was disgusted by your grossly one-sided letter soliciting my contribution to your "Fund for the Arts." ASCAP has consistently misrepresented the purpose, the history, and the facts of copyright -- not to mention the mission and activities of Creative Commons, Public Knowledge, Electronic Frontier Foundation, and other public-interest organizations -- apparently in order to fatten its royalty stream, deprive musicians of the ability to use each other's work, and prevent listeners from enjoying music to which the law and the history of copyright entitle them. I recently completed a research paper on music copyright that backed up my reading of this situation.

I have sent a copy of this letter and your letter, and a contribution of \$100 each, to Creative Commons, Public Knowledge, and EFF.

Sincerely,

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