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Dear Ms. Espinel!

Artists cannot create anything—music of every genre and media, shows for television or movies for the movies—for audiences, young and old, and every color and type, if that artist has no time, and no resources with which to make it happen.

Though so many organizations believe that because music comes out of the radio, or television shows come out of the TV for what looks like free, it costs a great deal of money and endless hours to create it.

Artists, here and there also have to eat food, sleep under a roof, drive to the studio in a car with fuel in it, and wear something over their skin. That, too, costs a little something. How, we wonder, can we create anything without enough to live on, and enough time to do their jobs, just like the farmer who grows potatoes or raise chickens?

The restaurant has to pay for their potatoes and chicken to serve; why on Earth shouldn't they have to pay for the music THEY make money on by playing through their Musak systems?

Or the gym or the retail store?

It is probably confounding to you to try to figure out a way to force these organizations and businesses to *pay* for the music they use, or rather, *steal* from us, not to mention the really bad idea of making first tape duplicators, CD duplicators, and now DVD ones. These are necessary tools for the creators of the music, but have allowed everyone to buy one copy (or worse, download it for free all over the place), and then give multiple copies to everyone they've ever met.

How about raising the fines to somewhere in the \$100s for people. or at least businesses who do so?

It wouldn't be that difficult—it would require a lot of man-hours—to scour the Internet to find Websites that their owners have used music on that they have not licensed from the source—the artist who created it.

That could generate millions of dollars in fines! At least some of which could be paid to the rightful owners of said music. And the rest to help alleviate the deficit.

For example, a man named T. Harv Eker, who runs literally thousands of HUGE workshops all over the globe—about money—they're called "The millionaire Mind" seminars—one seminar had in it 25,000 people! I was there, so this is firsthand information: He is using over his sound system, and printing out millions of lyric sheets to all attendees, lots of popular music without any proper legal license to do so! Appalling!

That's what I have to say to you to help arm you to help all of us!

I am a huge fan of justice and may I add that I am thrilled there even is a you who president Obama named to deal with this injustice going on far to much in this

country. I know there's little you can do to offset the piracy that goes on in countries like Korea, Japan, Viet Nam, but we can stop it here! At least, we have the jurisdiction to do it.

Multiply Eker by hundreds if not 1000s of such seminar leaders, and you have a bunch of felons (as is legally true now) on your hands.

I wish all power and stamina to you!
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