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ANGEL CITY CHORALE Releases Music Video: "Sogno di Volare" (The Dream of Flight)

Los Angeles, California – May 20, 2020 – Acclaimed local multi-cultural choir ANGEL CITY CHORALE is proud to release a life-affirming music video to remind the people of Los Angeles and beyond – "We will fly again!"

In the face of the COVID-19 epidemic, Angel City Chorale is compelled to offer their conviction that, while it may seem we are all facing this crisis alone, we can still create extraordinary beauty together. "As a choir, we exist to bring people together, to elevate the human spirit and celebrate our unity of spirit and diversity of expression," says Sue Fink, the group's founder and Artistic Director. "We may be separated by walls and distance, but not by heart – not from each other or from the beauty and diversity of the city we represent. We firmly believe that we will make it through this crisis, that we will come together again, sing together again and fly again."

The 4-minute video features the chorale members pursuing their daily safer-at-home routines – ranging from home schooling and cooking to providing medical care – and pulls these disparate yearnings together for a moving expression of determination and resilience. The soundtrack is the Chorale's live concert recording of Christopher Tin's "Sogno di Volare" (The Dream of Flight), a soaring expression of the indomitable human spirit. Tin's lyrics originate in the writings of Leonardo da Vinci about his own imaginings of flight.

The track is featured on Angel City Chorale's 2018 CD recording, *One World*, available on Amazon and Spotify. The composition first came to life as a video game theme for Sid Meier's

Civilization VI in 2016, when Tin conducted the Chorale in recording it at world-famous Abbey Road studios in London.

Chorale members were encouraged to hear Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti express his own hope for renewal in his April 20 State of the City address, "We are the City of Angels, and we will fly again." The members of Angel City Chorale wholeheartedly agree.

LINKS

"Sogno di Volare" is available on the <u>Chorale's YouTube channel</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> pages. Once available, information about future concerts can be found on the <u>Chorale's</u> <u>website</u>.

ABOUT ANGEL CITY CHORALE (ACC)

Now in its 27th year among the premier choral groups in Southern California, Angel City Chorale is proud to represent the spirit and diversity of Los Angeles in its membership, its music, and its outreach activities, thereby fulfilling its mission of "Building Community One Song at a Time." Celebrated Artistic Director Fink founded the Chorale at world-famous McCabe's Guitar Shop in 1993 with 18 singers – which has now grown to over 180 talented and dedicated singers, presenting a broad and eclectic repertoire including classical, gospel, jazz, pop and world music.

Angel City Chorale is perhaps best known for its performances on NBC's top-rated talent competition *America's Got Talent* (2018), making it all the way to the Semi-Finals. Hailed by Simon Cowell as "one of the best choirs we've ever had," the Chorale earned the coveted Golden Buzzer, touching nearly 20 million viewers with their rich sound and compelling message of unity and diversity. The video of Angel City Chorale's captivating performance of Toto's "Africa" has been viewed more than 80 million times by people around the world.

True to their mission of community building, Angel City Chorale is collaborating with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Los Angeles County in forming the Angel City Youth Chorale, whose members currently rehearse virtually. The Chorale is committed to resuming its Tour of Hope program, in which ACC takes its concert repertoire directly to underserved populations and service organizations in Los Angeles, once the safety of our members and community allow.

Angel City Chorale is a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. For additional information, interviews and other press inquiries, please contact <u>pr@angelcitychorale.org</u>.

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