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The Stars and Stripes Forever  
Song

Tempo di Marcia

*mf*

1. Let  
2. Let

*ff*

*mf*

The introduction consists of a single staff with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. It begins with a whole rest for four measures, followed by a half note G3. The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with the same key signature and time signature. It starts with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic, featuring a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and chords in the left hand. The introduction concludes with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic.

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ea - gle shriek From lof - ty peak, The nev - er - end - ing watch-word

This system contains the first line of the song's lyrics. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The lyrics are: "mar - tial note In tri - umph float, And lib - er - ty ex - tend its ea - gle shriek From lof - ty peak, The nev - er - end - ing watch-word". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff with the same key signature and time signature, providing harmonic support for the vocal line.

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of our land. Let sum - mer breeze Waft through the trees The

This system contains the second line of the song's lyrics. The vocal line is in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The lyrics are: "might - y hand, A flag ap - pears, 'Mid thun - d'rous cheers, The of our land. Let sum - mer breeze Waft through the trees The". The piano accompaniment is in a grand staff with the same key signature and time signature, providing harmonic support for the vocal line.

ban-ner of the West-ern - land. The em - blem of the brave and true, Its  
 ech - o of the chor-us grand. Sing out for lib - er - ty and light, Sing

folds pro - tect no ty - rant crew, The red and white and  
 out for free - dom and the right, Sing out for Un - - ion

star - - ry blue, Is Free - dom's shield and hope.) Oth - er  
 and its might, Oh, pa - - tri - ot - - ic Sons!

na - tions may deem their flags the best And cheer them with fer - vid e -

la - - tion, But the flag of the North and South and West Is the

*CHORUS*

flag of flags, The flag of Free-dom's na - - tion. Hur - rah for the flag of the

free, May it wave as our stand - ard for - ev - - er, The

gem of the land and the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ The Banner of the

Right. \_\_\_\_\_ Let des - pots re - mem - ber the day \_\_\_\_\_ When our

fa - thers with might - y en - deav - - or, Pro - claim'd as they march'd to the

fray, \_\_\_\_\_ That by their might, And by their right, It waves for - ev - - er!