

Virginian Marseillaise

F C7 F Dm Bb Gm C7 F
Virginia hears the dreadful summons, sounding hoarsely from afar
(Bb) C Gm (D7 Gm) C7 F
On her sons she calls and calmly bids them now prepare for war
C7
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F F7 Bb G7 C
With manly hearts and hands to aid her, she cares not how her foeman swarm
Fm C C7+ Fm C7
She bares her bosom to the storm, while she laughs, to scorn the proud invader
F C (7) F C
To Arms! Brothers dear. Gird on, the trenchant brand
C7 F C F7 Bb F B# C C9 F C7 F
Strike Home! Strike Home! No craven fear! For home and native land!

Shall the sons of Old Virginia prove unworthy of their sires
No! They'll show the haughty foeman, That in fight, she "never tires"
With fav'ring heaven to befriend her To whome alone she bends the knee
'Til ev'ry foot of soil is free she her sacred cause will ne'er surrender

A ray of never dying glory, shall Virginia's brows o'erspread
Men unborn shall tell the story, how their fathers fought and bled
While fairest hands their wounds were tending and brightest eyes the dead bewailed
How not a noble bosom quailed, E'en to die, their native land defending

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First Line: Virginia hears the dreadful summons, sounding hoarsely from afar

First Line of Chorus: To arms! Brothers dear! Gird on the trenchant brand!

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