

# INVICTUS

a poem by  
William Ernest Henley (1849 -1903)

a tribute to Nelson Mandela

music by  
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$\text{♩} = 80$

for rehearsal only

Soprano (S) part: Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic p. The vocal line consists of sustained notes and short melodic fragments. The lyrics "(hum)" are indicated below the staff.

Alto (A) part: Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic p. The vocal line consists of sustained notes and short melodic fragments. The lyrics "(hum)" are indicated below the staff.

Tenor (T) part: Treble clef, 4/4 time, dynamic pp. The vocal line consists of sustained notes and short melodic fragments. The lyrics "(hum)" are indicated below the staff.

Bass (B) part: Bass clef, 2:4 time, dynamic pp. The vocal line consists of sustained notes and short melodic fragments. The lyrics "(hum)" are indicated below the staff.

Dynamic markings:  $\text{♩} = 80$ , **p**, **pp**.

6

(hum) a (hum) Out of the  
Out of the  
Out of the  
Out of the  
Out of the

Dynamic markings: **mf**, **pp**, **p**, **pp**, **p**, **pp**, **p**.

The vocal parts continue with sustained notes and melodic fragments, corresponding to the lyrics "Out of the" repeated three times. The bass part provides harmonic support with sustained notes.

4 II

night that cov - ers me,  
black as the pit from  
night that cov - ers me,  
black as the pit from  
night that cov - ers me,  
black as the pit from  
night that cov - ers me,  
black as the pit from

15

pole to pole,  
I I I thank what - ev - er gods may  
pole to pole,  
I I I thank what - ev - er gods may  
pole to pole,  
I I I thank what - ev - er gods may

19

be,  
for my un - con - quer - able soul.  
be,  
for my un - con - quer - able soul.  
be,  
for my un - con - quer - able soul.

PERUSAL COPY

23 *mp*

In the fell clutch of cir - cum-stance  
In the fell clutch of cir - cum-stance I have not  
In the fell clutch of cir - cum-stance I have not  
In the fell clutch of cir - cum-stance I have not

27

nor cried a - loud. Un - der the  
wincing nor cried a - loud. Un - der the  
wincing nor cried a - loud. Un - der the  
wincing nor cried a - loud. Un - der the

31 *mp*

bludg-eon-ings of chance my head is bloo - dy  
bludg eon-ings of chance bloo - dy  
bludg-eon-ings of chance bloo - dy  
bludg-eon-ings of chance bloo - dy



46

yond this place of wrath and tears looms but the  
yond this place of wrath and tears looms but the  
yond this place of wrath and tears looms but the  
yond this place of wrath and tears looms but the

50

Hor - ror of the shade, and yet, and yet the men-ace of the  
Hor - ror of the shade, and yet, and yet the men-ace of the  
Hor - ror of the shade, and yet, and yet the men-ace of the

54

years, the men - ace of the years, the  
years, the men - ace of the years, the  
years, the men - ace of the years, the  
years, the men - ace of the years, the

rall.

Tempo I

58

years (hum) finds and shall find me un - a - fraid,  
years (hum) finds and shall find me un - a - fraid,  
years (hum) finds and shall find me un - a - fraid,  
years (hum) finds and shall find me un - a - fraid,

rall.

Tempo I

63

un - a - fraid.

un - a - fraid. (hum)

un - a - fraid.

un - a - fraid. (hum)

69

p — sf p mf

It mat - ters not how strait the gate, how charged with

p — sf p mf

It mat - ters not how strait the gate, how charged with

p — sf p mf

It mat - ters not how strait the gate, how charged with

p — sf p mf

— It mat - ters not how strait the gate, how charged with



83 *mp* ————— *mf*      rit. . . . . *p*

I am the cap - tain of my (hum)

(hum) my (hum)

*mp* ————— *mf*      *p*

I am the cap - tain of my soul.

*mp* ————— *mf*      *p*

I am the cap - tain of my soul.

rit. . . . .

*PERUSAL COPY*