

Letter To America

written for Laurel Irene

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Mvt 1: Exasperated Release

Soprano

Ah!

Mvt 2: Mass Transit Philosopher

$\text{♩} = 90$

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0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

3

Lost in a sea of string lights, Palm trees, and in, in, in, in - san - i - ty san - i - ty

0 0 0 0

mp

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5

mea - sure of mea - sure of mea - sure of mea - sure of mea - sure - ment seeps through a

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f

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sie - ve There's no sub - sti - tu - ting

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0 0 0 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ 0 0 0 0

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wealth for Sa - ni - ty. The cards are fixed, the ta - ble turned in on it -

Speak as quickly as possible while gliding upward

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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self, eat - ing A - way at op - por - tu - ni - ty like (hey hey) at op - por - tu - ni - ty like

"all men are endowed with unalienable rights"

0 0 0 0

metal

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at op - por - tu - ni - ty like the fourth glass of whi - skey in an hour.

more reserved

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

S 15

Sure, all peo - ple, most of them, are gen - u - ine in that sweet, try - ing (come

ingressive 0 0 0 0 *lots of diphthong* 0 0 0 0

S 17

on) Kind of way, but we are plagu - ed By our want for

0 0 *more sweetly* 0 0 0 0 0 0 *mf* *mp* *f* *mp*

S 19

more, the di - sease (Ju - stice, Tran - qui - li - ty) of Greed (Bles - sing, Pos - te - ri - ty)

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

S 21

of Greed e - ver gnaw - ing at the roots of sta - bi - li - ty, e - ver chew - ing our feet From de

S 23

sire No free - dom

sing [ŋ] and mouth the words as clear as possible

0 0 0

S 25

No free - dom [ŋ] Was ev - er won

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

S 27

by try - ing to pro - tect What was ne - ver

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

S 29

clear, determined

yours to be - gin with. No life ev - er lived from in - side a snow Globe

0 0 0 0 0

S 31

a - fixed by oth - er's la - bor for the Sake of your gain.

Mvt 3: Lament

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S As if no one had e - ven

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S ex - - - is - ed, No (no) thought,

42

S no (no) ink - ling Rare di - vi - sion of be - ing of be - ing through

46

S con-sciou-ness, par-sing of E - le - ments to draw que - sion (que - sion) Like con - clu - sion (con - clu - sion) que -

50

S sion Like con - clu - sion, And no, I was - n't wai - ting here for my health

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S but for the health of know - ing know - ing that you you you

58

S dis - stant im - mage cre - a - tion cre -

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S a - tion From too lit - tle in - form - a - tion but - known, known

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S but known, im - por - tant es - sen - - - tial, es -

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sen - tial... Un - til you were - n't you were-n't

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S
un - til the wave the wave Swept

78
S
a - way swept a - way yest - er - day and

82
S
felt and felt felt Us re - newed - Us

86
S
re - newed to im - a - gi - nation Seek - ing the needs that you

91
S
left, that you left ng ng ng

95
S
Ah

98
S
Ng