What Is This Feeling?

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(feat. Kristin Chenoweth)

[GLINDA]Dearest darlingest Momsie and Popsical...

[ELPHABA]My dear Father...

[BOTH]THERE'S BEEN SOME CONFUSION

OVER ROOMING HERE AT SHIZ ...

[ELPHABA] BUT OF COURSE, I'LL CARE FOR NESSA \dots

[GLINDA]BUT OF COURSE, I'LL RISE ABOVE IT ...

[BOTH]FOR I KNOW THAT'S HOW YOU'D WANT ME TO RESPOND

YES, THERE'S BEEN SOME CONFUSION

FOR YOU SEE, MY ROOM-MATE IS ...

[GLINDA]UNUSUALLY AND EXCEEDINGLY PECULIAR

AND ALTOGETHER QUITE IMPOSSIBLE TO DESCRIBE ...

[ELPHABA]BLONDE.

[GLINDA]WHAT IS THIS FEELING

SO SUDDEN AND NEW?

[ELPHABA]I FELT THE MOMENT

I LAID EYES ON YOU ...

[GLINDA]MY PULSE IS RUSHING ...

[ELPHABA]MY HEAD IS REELING ...

[GLINDA]MY FACE IS FLUSHING ...

[BOTH]WHAT IS THIS FEELING?

FERVID AS A FLAME

DOES IT HAVE A NAME?

YES!...

LOATHING

UNADULTERATED LOATHING ...

[GLINDA]FOR YOUR FACE...

[ELPHABA]YOUR VOICE ...

[GLINDA]YOUR CLOTHING ...

[BOTH]LET'S JUST SAY -- I LOATHE IT ALL!

EV'RY LITTLE TRAIT, HOWEVER SMALL

MAKES MY VERY FLESH BEGIN TO CRAWL

WITH SIMPLE UTTER LOATHING

THERE'S A STRANGE EXHILARATION

IN SUCH TOTAL DETESTATION

IT'S SO PURE! SO STRONG!

THOUGH I DO ADMIT IT CAME ON FAST

STILL I DO BELIEVE THAT IT CAN LAST

AND I WILL BE LOATHING LOATHING YOU

MY WHOLE LIFE LONG!

[STUDENTS]DEAR GLINDA, YOU ARE JUST TOO GOOD!

HOW DO YOU STAND IT? I DON'T THINK I COULD!

SHE'S A TERROR! SHE'S A TARTAR!

WE DON'T MEAN TO SHOW A BIAS

BUT GLINDA YOU'RE A MARTYR!

[GLINDA]WELL ... THESE THINGS ARE SENT TO TRY US!

[STUDENTS]POOR GLINDA, FORCED TO RESIDE

WITH SOMEONE SO DISGUSTICIFIED

WE JUST WANT TO TELL YOU ...

WE'RE ALL ON YOUR SIDE!

WE SHARE YOUR ...

[GLINDA AND ELPHABA sing simultaneously with students (see their part below)]WHAT IS THIS

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I LAID EYES ON YOU

MY PULSE IS RUSHING

MY HEAD IS REELING

OH, WHAT IS THIS FEELING?

DOES IT HAVE A NAME?

YES...

[STUDENTS:]LOATHING

UNADULTERATED LOATHING

FOR HER FACE, HER VOICE

HER CLOTHING

LET'S JUST SAY:

WE LOATHE IT ALL!

EV'RY LITTLE TRAIT

HOWEVER SMALL

MAKES OUR VERY FLESH

BEGIN TO CRAWL..

[ALL:]AHHH...

LOATHING!

[GLINDA AND ELPHABA:][Here students sing "Loathing" in counter point a number of times]THERE'S A

STRANGE EXHILARATION

IN SUCH TOTAL DETESTATION

SO PURE, SO STRONG!

[STUDENTS]SO STRONG!

[GLINDA AND ELPHABA][Students sing back-up "loathing"]THOUGH I DO ADMIT IT CAME ON FAST STILL I DO BELIEVE THAT IT CAN LAST ALL

AND I WILL BE LOATHING

FOR FOREVER LOATHING

TRULY, DEEPLY LOATHING YOU LOATHING YOU FOR MY WHOLE LIFE LONG! [STUDENTS:]UNADULTERATED LOATHING [ELPHABA]BOO!

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