

Hold Back the Dawn

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The sun was going down over Echo Park
Wet raven hair glowing in the dark
And that's when the fever would rise And Lord, what a look in her eyes
From the moment that she blows out the light
We'd be lost in the forever night Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn
Won't you raise up your hand
And hold back the dawn? I dreamt if I could lay you upon this bed of straw
And we may break the rules, but we don't break the law
Come across but the river's too wide I come across but the river's too high
And over by the fountain where we meet
I will lay silver roses at your feet Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn
Won't you raise up your hand
And hold back the dawn, come on? Now I have seen a painting, old and hanging in a frame
And that painting was of you, now how can you explain
From another place in time, done many years ago Why I'm haunted by this vision, guess we'll never know
And then she turned and whispered in my ear
Can you feel my heartbeat? Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn
Won't you raise up your hand
And hold back the dawn? Come on, let the light go on, let the light go on
Won't you raise, won't you raise up?
Won't you raise up your hand and hold back the dawn? Hold back the dawn, won't you raise up your hand
And hold back the dawn?
Let the night go on and on, and on [Incomprehensible]

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