Operator

Jim Croce

Operator, well could you help me place this call?

See, the number on the matchbook is old and faded

She's living in L.A. with my best old ex-friend Ray

A guy she said she knew well and sometimes hatedIsn't that the way they say it goes? Well, let's forget all that

And give me the number if you can find it

So I can call just to tell 'em I'm fine and to show

I've overcome the blow, I've learned to take it well

I only wish my words could just convince myself

That it just wasn't real, but that's not the way it feelsOperator, well could you help me place this call?

Well, I can't read the number that you just gave me

There's something in my eyes, you know it happens every time

I think about a love that I thought would save meIsn't that the way they say it goes? Well, let's forget all that

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No, no, no, no - that's not the way it feels Operator, well let's forget about this call

There's no one there I really wanted to talk to

Thank you for your time, ah, you've been so much more than kind

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