It's My Job

Jimmy Buffett

In the middle of late last night I was sittin' on a curb
I didn't know what about but I was feeling quite disturbed
A street sweeper came whistlin' by, he was bouncin' every step
It seemed strange how good he felt

So I asked him while he sweptHe said, "It's my job to be cleaning up this mess

And that's enough reason to go for me

It's my job to be better than the rest

And that makes the day for me"Got an uncle who owns a bank, he's a self made millionaire

He never had anyone to love, never had no one to care

He always to seemed kind of sad to me

So I asked him why that was

And he told me it's because in my contract there's a clauseThat says, "It's my job to be worried half to death

And that's the thing people respect in me

It's a job but without it I'd be less

Than what I expect from me"I've been lazy most all of my life

Writing songs and sleeping late

Any manual labor I've done purely by mistake

If street sweepers can smile then

I've got no right to feel upset, but sometimes I still forgetTill the lights go on and the stage is set

And the song hits home and you feel that sweatIt's my job to be different than the rest

And that's enough reason to go for me

It's my job to be better than the best

And that's a tough break for meIt's my job to be cleaning up this mess

And that's enough reason to go for me

It's my job to be better than the best

And that makes the day for me

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