

# House Where Nobody Lives

Tom Waits

There's a house on my block  
That's abandoned and cold  
Folks moved out of it a  
Long time ago  
And they took all their things  
And they never came back  
Looks like it's haunted  
With the windows all cracked  
And everyone call it  
The house, the house where  
Nobody lives  
Once it held laughter  
Once it held dreams  
Did they throw it away  
Did they know what it means  
Did someone's heart break  
Or did someone do somebody wrong? Well the paint was all cracked  
It was peeled off of the wood  
Papers were stacked on the porch  
Where I stood  
And the weeds had grown up  
Just as high as the door  
There were birds in the chimney  
And an old chest of drawers  
Looks like no one will ever  
Come back to the  
House where nobody lives  
Once it held laughter  
Once it held dreams  
Did they throw it away  
Did they know what it means  
Did someone's heart break  
Or did someone do someone wrong?  
So if you find someone  
Someone to have, someone to hold  
Don't trade it for silver  
Don't trade it for gold  
I have all of life's treasures  
And they are fine and they are good  
They remind me that houses  
Are just made of wood

What makes a house grand  
Ain't the roof or the doors  
If there's love in a house  
It's a palace for sure  
Without love...  
It ain't nothin but a house  
A house where nobody lives  
Without love it ain't nothin  
But a house, a house where  
Nobody lives

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