## **Requiem for Dissent**

## **Bad Religion**

Oratory of hope and glory, a whisper and a rhyme

An effigy, a soldier out of time

Citizen and patriot, you can't be far behind

The funeral weighing heavy on your mindRequiem, bring the dissident from slumber

Requiem, raise the rebel from its grave

Requiem, sound the revolution's thunder

A monumental blunder averted and betrayedDig around the cemetery, a record of the day

Friends and neighbors in stages of decay

But the saddest thing of all eludes discovery

The stimulus for this somber ceremonyRequiem, bring the dissident from slumber

Requiem, raise the rebel from its grave

Requiem, sound the revolution's thunder

A monumental blunder averted and betrayedThe sanctimonious minions, how they grovel at the feet

Authority is populist deceit

Pity yet another casualty's demoralized decline

Just a victim of irrational designRequiem, requiem, requiem

Bring the dissident from slumber

Requiem, raise the rebel from its grave

Requiem, sound the revolution's thunder

A monumental blunder averted and betrayed

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