Ampersand

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I walk down my street at night The city lights are cold and violent I am comforted by the approaching sounds of trucks and sirens Even though the world's so bad These men rush out to help the dying And though I am no use to them I do my part by simply smiling

The ghetto boys are catcalling me As I pull my keys from my pocket I wonder if this method of courtship Has ever been effective Has any girl in history said Sure, you seem so nice, let's get it on Still, I always shock them when I answer Hi, my name's Amanda

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I have wasted years of my life Agonizing about the fires I started when I thought that to be strong, you must be flame retardant And now to dress the wounds goes into question How authentic they are There is always someone criticizing me She just likes playing hospital

Lying in my bed I remember what you said There's no such thing as accidents

But you've got the headstone all ready All carved up and pretty Your sick satisfaction Those his and hers matching The daisies all push up'n Pairs to the horizons Your eyes full of ketchup It's nice that you're trying The headstone's all ready All carved up and pretty Your sick satisfaction Those his and hers matching The daises all push up'n Pairs to the horizons Your eyes full of ketchup It's nice that you're trying

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As I wake up to a cough The fire burned the block But ironically stopped at my apartment And my housemates are all sleeping soundly And nobody deserves to die But you were awful adamant That if I didn't love you Then you have just one alternative

And I may be romantic And I may risk my life for it But I ain't gonna die for you You know I ain't no Juliet And I'm not gonna watch you wanna burn yourself out baby No I'm not gonna stop you Cause I'm not the one that's crazy, yeah I'm not the one that's crazy, yeah I'm not the one that's crazy...