Back On The Streets

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I dig the sound of the old street cars Hooker's perfume and the shabby bars That old cop who busted me Never forgot my name

I dig the summer and the sticky sheets The traffic and the litter and the jukebox beats The night winds stir the old ghosts And they haunt those less likely They cry out loud and sound their warning Your legends won't survive the morning light

They try Back on the streets Back on the streets

Now over in the corner stands Louie's Bar The names have all been changed And Louie's pictures in the frame Back on the streets He's in the hall of fame So there you have your legends boy

Agnes lives alone on 42nd street Badgered by a fat man's memory Back on the streets She won't get too far Gettin' riddled in the dark

She cry's out loud and sounds a warning Her memory won't survive the morning light

Oh but she tries Back on the streets Back on the streets

In a world that's sometimes cold Where all is bought and sold Like clothes we outgrow

Oh love is patient and it's kind It never looks behind Or changes its mind

Oh but they try Back on the streets Back on the streets They die

Oh how they lie Back on the streets Back on the streets Back on the streets they die Oh how they try Back on the streets Back on the streets They lie they lie they lie