

Breaking My Back

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I'm working so damn hard
Just tryna set things right

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Won't forget all the little things you did
I know it's hard to
Play two parts but you're falling through
Single mom, two jobs, three kids
Didn't have much but at least we had a chance to
Follow your lead
Never focus on your wants, only on our needs
You even quit your job to teach me to read
All of my teachers told you, "He would never succeed"
Look at me now, I threw myself in the fire
Now make a living off the words you inspire

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So let me tell you a story about a lady
Hispanic girl from the west side neighborhood
In Chicago, started working for AT&T
Climbing telephone poles when she was eighteen
At the time men told her she was crazy
They didn't even have a woman's restroom for her till the '80s
Way before they gave equal pay
Working twice as hard just to see a raise
All while raising babies, that nine to five now got her tired
Coming home and struggling to open her eyelids
But still, she gotta go and cook dinner for five kids
I'm talking about the strongest woman I know
That is my mother, the vibrant, most amazing lady alive
I'm telling you mom, you'll never have to grind again
'Cause I promise I got you, we about to prosper
Started from the bottom but now nobody could stop us

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