Affair on 8th Avenue

Gordon Lightfoot

The perfume that she wore was from some little store
On the down side of town
But it lingered on long after she'd gone
I remember it well

And our fingers entwined like ribbons of light
And we came through a doorway somewhere in the night

Her long flowing hair came softly undone
And it lay all around
And she brushed it down as I stood by her side
In the warmth of her love

And she showed me her treasures of paper and tin And we played a game only she could win And she told me a riddle I'll never forget Then left with the answer I've never found yet

"How long", said she, "Can a moment like this Belong to someone?" "What's wrong, what is right, when to live or to die We must almost be born"

So if you should ask me what secrets I hide I'm only your lover, don't make me decide

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