

Bed-Stuy is Burning

Skyzoo

As true as you and me there's a mayor on every block
Singing The Dramatics and playing with ready rock
Usually it seem like he's waiting to catch a drop
You're clinging to his habits, he saving you from a spot
Round the way work, jewels in the ground, hit the pay dirt
Love is love, you're in good hands, Dennis Haysbert
Openly protected by who you be neck and neck with
'Til you looking over like look at what they done made work
Circling the block, I know your call before you start
Put your phone down, Pyer Moss to the heart
Word to all of that, love it or leave it we're afforded that
20 D batteries, count them wrong, brought them back
Attracted to what you see on the screen
But then thinking you can recast it to keep who you need
Keep it cool, shit is cool, you don't need me to leave
Word to God it's nothing to let you be who you be
I mean for real though

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To whom it may concern don't let this happen to you
True to what you heard they want this back like a loop
They gave you a curb and kept you back on the stoop
And now what they prefer is to help you pack when you move
And an argument is made, for calling out a blame
Visions of a doorstep and all that it became
They ain't have the heart to stand on it 'til today
The smoke all clear and they just wanting the remains
Funny ain't it, the bottom of the bag is what you make it
Jump the line cause, I ain't never seen money waiting
Shit you ran from is what you tryna run away with
And brownstones is looking Salvation underrated
Told us tag a dotted line if you care to survive
And if not pick a spot and just be here for the ride
The aura of quarter waters over Mary J Blige
My neighborhood give you life but was you here when it died

Riddle me that

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Block party every summer, 40 acres and a mule
Same block where it was from and it became the living proof
Last of a dying breed, praises is due
While you're cursing out the stage from your roof
You came here itching for the vibe, take it with us if we gone
No money in Sal's, blame the pictures on the wall
A box of Kennedy fried got you thinking you involved
Shit is smooth, I was there too before I moved along
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