

STUDIO CAST RECORDING





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MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT 1

1	THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH MIKE, COACH MURPHY, YOUNG NED,
	YOUNG SCARLET, ENSEMBLE
2	HAPPY FAMILYOLDER MIKE, SCARLET, ALEX, MAGGIE
	TIME FOR STARTING OVER SCARLET
4	JANITOR'S THEMEJANITOR, OLDER MIKE
5	17 AGAIN MIKE, NED
6	A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE PRINCIPAL MASTERSON, SECRETARY, MARK, NED
7	#BRANDNEWDAY THE BRITTANYS, MARK, ENSEMBLE
8	LOSERS DON'T EVER WIN
9	GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU STAN, MAGGIE, ALEX, MARK
10	MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT NAOMI, SCARLET, MARK, ENSEMBLE
11	THE GREATEST PRIZE

ACT 2

12	ТАКЕ А ЅНОТС	OACH MURPHY, MARK, ALEX, BASKETBALL HOPEFULS
13	LOVE YOU TILL FOREVER	
14	YOU DESERVE THE BEST	MARK, MAGGIE
15	TRA LA LA	NED, MASTERSON, ENSEMBLE
16	SOMETHING SO PERFECT	MARK
17	17 AGAIN/#BRANDNEWDAY (FINALE).	COMPANY

CAST

YOUNG MIKE/MARK	
OLDER MIKE	
SCARLET	EDEN ESPINOSA
NED	
ALEX/YOUNG NED	WILL ROLAND
MAGGIE	MALLORY BECHTEL
ΝΑΟΜΙ	ANN HARADA
PRINCIPAL MASTERSON	CARLY HUGHES
COACH MURPHY/JANITOR	ALAN H. GREEN
STAN	F. MICHAEL HAYNIE
SECRETARY	DONNA VIVINO
MALE VOCALIST	JESSE JOHNSON
YOUNG SCARLET	D'KAYLAH UNIQUE WHITLEY
BRITTANYS 1, 2, 3DONNA VI	VINO, DESI OAKLEY, GABRIELLE CARRUBBA
BASKETBALL PLAYERS, SPECTATORS,	
BAR PATRONS, STUDENTS ET AL	JESSE JOHNSON, SAM PRIMACK
	JOSH STROBL, OSCAR WILLIAMS
CHEERLEADERS, SPECTATORS,	
DAD DATDONIS STUDENITS ET AL	

DONNA VIVINO, D'KAYLAH UNIQUE WHITLEY

MUSICIANS

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Mike O'Donnell, superstar of the high school basketball team, is psyching himself up before a big game. A scout from Duke is there to check him out. As his coach tells him, "Play the game I know you can and the world is yours." But when Mike's girlfriend, Scarlet, shows up and tells him she's pregnant, Mike makes a life-changing decision and walks away from the game with her, hand in hand. (The Star of Kennedy High)

It's 17 years later, we're in the suburbs and Mike is now an unemployed pharmaceutical rep. He and Scarlet have two withdrawn and distant kids, Maggie, 17, and Alex, 15. Mike, unhappy with where he ended up, now questions the decision he made years earlier, which puts more strain on his already rocky marriage. **(Happy Family)**

Scarlet informs Mike she wants a divorce. (Time For Starting Over) Mike moves in with Ned, his best friend from high school – a nerd in 12th grade, a rich nerd now. Mike goes to the school to check on his kids, making sure they're doing okay. While there he spots his old basketball trophies in the gym trophy case. It makes him yearn for his glory days even more. An older janitor appears who seems to recognize Mike. He talks to Mike about second chances and asks him if he wants to touch his old trophy. But when Mike does, he is magically turned back to his 17-year-old self. (Janitor's Theme) Freaked out, he hurries back to Ned's house – where he must convince Ned that he is indeed Mike O'Donnell. Ned believes his transformation was caused by a mystical spirit guide who is trying to steer Mike on a better path. **(17 Again)**

Convinced his family wouldn't even miss him, Mike embraces this opportunity to go back and follow the road not taken. He goes with Ned (acting as his father) to register at school as a new transfer student. As Principal Masterson interviews the two of them, it's clear Ned is falling hard for her. (A Matter of Principle)

Mike (now calling himself "Mark") is enjoying all of the attention he's getting as "the new kid" -- especially from the basketball coach who wants him to join the team, and a squad of popular girls known as "The Brittanys." (#brandnewday) The one thing Mark didn't count on was going to high school with his own kids. He makes the discovery that Maggie may not be as innocent as he thought, as she's dating Stan, the school bully, and is even thinking of giving up her college plans to stay with him. He also finds out that Alex doesn't have many friends and that Stan's been bullying him. (Losers Don't Ever Win) Later in the cafeteria, when Stan starts harassing Alex, Mark comes to his rescue, humiliating Stan and becoming a hero to the class.

That evening, Naomi, Scarlet's friend, shows up and tells Scarlet she can't sit at home every night wallowing – she's taking her to a club. Scarlet reluctantly agrees. She finds Maggie studying in her room and tells her she's going out for a bit. Once she leaves and closes the bedroom door, Stan appears from under the bed. While Maggie just intends to study with him, Stan has other ideas. But before things can get too far, Mark shows up to play basketball with Alex and throws Stan out of the house. (Gonna Show It To You) Mark can't believe Scarlet would allow this guy up in Maggie's room. When Alex tells Mark that their mother went out to some club, he's furious.

At the club Caliente, Naomi tries to get Scarlet to loosen up and enjoy herself. With the help of a little alcohol, Scarlet does start to let go and dance. But Mark suddenly races in and gets in her face. He tells her that her family is falling apart and her kids are in trouble. Angry, Scarlet tells Mark their father played a part in this as well – go complain to him. If he can find him. **(Make The Most of Tonight)**

As Mark is thrown out of the club, he finally realizes the reason for his time transformation journey – it isn't about a basketball career, it's about discovering the value of his family and protecting them. He and his 35-year-old self sing **The Greatest Prize**.



As Mark sets out on his new mission, his first order of business is building Alex's confidence and popularity by getting him on the basketball team. **(Take A Shot)**

Mark and Alex arrive at Scarlet's to tell her the good news that Alex made the team. Mark also apologizes for his outburst at the club. Scarlet accepts the apology and thanks Mark for being such a good friend to Alex. She admits how hard it's been and appreciates Mark's help. She shows Mark the backyard and complains about all the projects her husband promised he'd get to but never did. Mark is sympathetic and they share a sweet moment. Scarlet tells him he seems very wise for a 17-year-old. There's also something about him that seems so familiar.

Back at the high school, with the promise of new computers for the classrooms, Ned wears Principal Masterson down and she agrees to go on a date with him – "no appetizer, no dessert."

That evening, a nervous Scarlet is getting ready for a date of her own that Naomi set up. Mark shows up and, hearing this news, tries to convince Scarlet that it's too soon. She isn't even divorced yet. But Naomi isn't letting her back out.

After Naomi leaves, Mark tells Scarlet he has a surprise for her in the backyard. She goes outside with him and is shocked and touched to see he's completed all the projects her husband had abandoned. Scarlet can't believe he did that. Under the guise of helping Scarlet prepare for her date, Mark tells her she can practice dancing with him. As they dance, Scarlet is feeling a whirl of emotions and it's clear Mark is falling in love with her all over again. He even mentions that maybe she should give her husband another chance. (Love You Till Forever)

The next day at school, Mark watches Alex try to ask out Chelsea, a girl he's had a crush on. But it couldn't go worse. Mark tells him he has an idea how Alex can get another chance with her. Ned's going out with Masterson that night so he'll throw a party and invite the school – Chelsea included.

As Mark goes to his locker, he discovers Maggie, huddled in the corner, crying. Apparently she wouldn't go all the way with Stan and he dumped her. Mark, incredibly relieved, tells her how proud he is of her. He tells Maggie someday she'll find a guy who treasures her the way she is. Maggie starts thinking that guy might be Mark. (You Deserve The Best)

Later that evening, in a fancy restaurant, Ned is on his date with Masterson. When he fails to impress her with his wealth, Ned comes clean and admits he's always been a loser with women. He's just a geek obsessed with "Lord of The Rings." Masterson instantly lights up. Turns out she's also obsessed with sci-fi and fantasy. **(Tra La La)**

Back at Ned's house, Mark's party is out of control. On the upside, Mark got Alex his second chance with Chelsea. But Maggie takes advantage of the party to try and seduce Mark. He quickly stops her and tells her he's already in love with someone else. Scarlet shows up looking for Alex because he missed curfew. Mark tells her Alex now has a girlfriend and Maggie is done with Stan. Scarlet thanks Mark again for his help with all of this. Mark can't control himself and kisses her in front of everyone. And blurts out that he's her husband. Scarlet, freaked out, slaps him and storms out. Maggie slaps him for being interested in her mother. And Alex feels Mark was friends with him just to get to his mother and punches him in the gut.

The next day, Naomi is about to drive Scarlet to court for the divorce hearing. Mark and Ned show up so Mark can make one last ditch effort to stop her. He tries to apologize for the night before but Scarlet won't listen. Mark tells Scarlet he has a letter from Mike. Speaking from the heart, he pretends to read Mike's letter and apologizes to Scarlet for not being a better husband. And if she wants to divorce him, he has no choice but to let her go. (Something So Perfect) After Mark and Ned leave, Scarlet discovers the "letter" Mark was reading was nothing but a math test. She grows more curious and asks Naomi to call her lawyer and postpone the hearing.

Frustrated that he couldn't salvage his marriage, Mark decides to once again, pursue a basketball scholarship and move on with his new life. During a game, not thinking, Mark signals to Scarlet in the stands just like he used to when they were dating. It's too much for Scarlet who tries to get out of there. Mark goes after her, but not before handing the ball off to Alex. Out in the hallway, Mark is transformed back into his 35-year-old self and happily reunites with Scarlet, saying that she and the kids were the best decision he ever made. **(17 Again/#brandnewday Finale)**

LINER NOTE

I've made my living as a television writer (Uglv Bettv. Desperate Housewives, MOM) but always dreamt of a career writing musical theatre. So when the opportunity came up to adapt the movie 17 Again – a story about a man getting to go back and choose the road not taken – it seemed like the perfect fit. It also had magic, wish fulfillment and was relatable. Who's never had that moment when they've asked themselves, "What if?" "What if I'd taken that other job?" "What if I'd married that other person?" While we want to look forward, even the most content among us sometimes can't help looking back.

The writing of the show was a bit daunting at first – I was writing contemporary teenagers. And I wanted it to be authentic. So I turned directly to the source: my three teenage daughters. They delighted in telling me when a catchphrase I'd used was already "out," but when I made them laugh, I knew I'd scored. They kept me honest. The other obstacle was the fact that I live on the West Coast and the songwriters, Alan Zachary & Michael Weiner, live on the East. But thanks to Zoom and FaceTime, a musical was soon born. We also didn't just want to put the movie up on stage. We wanted to make it our own. I believe the first song Alan and Michael sent to me was "17 Again" and it was love at first listen. The upbeat, catchy tune inspired me. I needed to match that talent. And Alan and Michael's versatility continued to impress me – from rousing teenage anthems to heartbreaking ballads.

We were also lucky to attract such wonderful talent for the studio recording – Casey Likes, Eden Espinosa, Drew Gehling, and Ann Harada just to name a few. These Broadway pros raised the music to a new level.

I hope you enjoy the show – and if you ever find yourself pondering any regrets, take a listen to the recording and hopefully you'll realize you're in the exact place you were meant to be.

- Marco Pennette



1. THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH

MIKE ALL YOUR LIFE YOU'VE WAITED FOR THIS MOMENT TAKE A BREATH, FOCUS ON THE GAME DO THIS RIGHT AND NOTHIN'S GONNA STOP YOU

AFTER TONIGHT, LIFE'LL NEVER BE THE SAME...

COACH MURPHY

O'Donnell! That scout from Duke is gonna be here tonight! Play the game I know you can and the world's yours, kid.

MIKE Thanks, Coach.

CHEERLEADERS J! U!

SPECTATORS

CHEERLEADERS M! P!

SPECTATORS M! P! **CHEERLEADERS** JUMP AND SCREAM!

SPECTATORS JUMP AND SCREAM!

CHEERLEADERS KENNEDY!

SPECTATORS KENNEDY!

CHEERLEADERS CLAP YOUR HANDS!

SPECTATORS CLAP YOUR HANDS!

CHEERLEADERS MAKE IT LOUD!

SPECTATORS MAKE IT LOUD!

CHEERLEADERS MIKE'S OUR MAN!

SPECTATORS MIKE'S OUR MAN!

CHEERLEADERS MAKE US PROUD!

SPECTATORS MAKE US PROUD!

CHEERLEADERS & SPECTATORS BZZZ HORNETS! **COACH MURPHY**

NOW'S THE TIME BRING IT ALL TOGETHER ON THE COURT THERE IS JUST ONE PLAN: PASS THE BALL, BOYS, ALWAYS TO O'DONNELL

PLAYER #1 What if I'm open?

COACH MURPHY O'DONNELL'S STILL OUR MAN!

ONCE AGAIN, THE BALL— WHERE IS IT GOIN'?

PLAYERS RIGHT TO MIKE

COACH MURPHY AND HOW THE CROWD WILL ROAR WHEN O'DONNELL DROPS IT IN THAT BUCKET

MIKE WON'T LET YOU DOWN! I NEVER HAVE BEFORE

MIKE, COACH & PLAYERS LET'S GO OUT AND SCORE!

SPECTATORS HE'S THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH GIVE A SHOUT AND GIVE A CHEER THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH HIS FUTURE'S CRYSTAL CLEAR COLLEGE BALL, NBA MIKE NAILS EVERY SINGLE PLAY HE BARELY HAS TO TRY THAT IS WHY, THAT IS WHY HE'S THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH.

REFEREE

Time!

COACH MURPHY

Way to go, guys! Where's our water boy?! Ned!

YOUNG NED

I'm here! I'm here! Sorry I'm late!

MIKE

Dungeons and dragons?

YOUNG NED

"D&D!" You sound like such a nerd.

PLAYER #1 If it isn't Merlin the girlin.

PLAYER #2 Hey, Ned, you know a spell that'll turn you into a guy?

MIKE Come on, lay off. TWO BEST FRIENDS, THAT'S WHAT YOU AND ME ARE GOT YOUR BACK WHEN YOU'RE IN A MESS BUT THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH I CAN DO WHEN YOU SHOW UP LATE WEARING SOME KINDA DRESS.

YOUNG NED

FIRST OF ALL, THIS DRESS IS CALLED A TUNIC AND IT'S WORN BY WIZARDS STRONG AND WISE

MIKE

Do you actually enjoy being hung up by your underwear?

COACH MURPHY HEY O'DONNELL TIME OUT'S ALMOST OVER

PLAYERS LET'S HIT THE COURT!

MIKE C'MON, LET'S DO THIS GUYS!

MIKE & PLAYERS EYES ON THE PRIZE!

SPECTATORS OH, THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH HE'S THE TALK OF ALL THE

TOWN

THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH HE NEVER LETS US DOWN WATCH HIM DUNK, CHECK THAT SWISH THINK YOU'LL STOP HIM? YEAH, YOU WISH HIS LIMIT IS THE SKY

ALL

THAT IS WHY, THAT IS WHY HE'S THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH

REFEREE

Time!

MIKE

Scarlet, you made it! Duke University came! Just for me! My whole future's on the line tonight.

YOUNG SCARLET I know the feeling.

MIKE EVERYTHING COOL?

YOUNG SCARLET OH, YEAH, TOTALLY, TOTALLY.

MIKE BABE, ARE YOU SURE?

YOUNG SCARLET I'M SURE. MIKE SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT

YOUNG SCARLET A BURDEN TO YOU, NOT TONIGHT

MIKE

SCARLET. YOU'RE NEVER A BURDEN YOU COULDN'T BE IF YOU TRIED SCARLET, YOU'RE NEVER ALONE, BABE I'LL ALWAYS BE BY YOUR SIDE.

YOUNG SCARLET Mike, Duke University, you have to focus on-

MIKE THERE'S NOTHIN' AT ALL YOU CAN'T TELL ME

YOUNG SCARLET YOUR FUTURE IS ON THE LINE

MIKE

WHATEVER IT IS, YOU CAN **TELL ME HONESTLY** SCARLET, I'LL BE FINE.

YOUNG SCARLET You remember the Homecoming dance?

MIKE Yeah.

YOUNG SCARLET I DON'T WANNA BE, WANNA BE Remember after the dance... in your parents' hot tub?

MIKE

Oh, yeah.

YOUNG SCARLET I'm pregnant.

MIKE What? No. You can't be. You can't get pregnant in a hot tub!

YOUNG SCARLET Turns out your stupid cousin was wrong. I took a test.

MIKE Oh my God, can't you ever fail anything?

COACH MURPHY O'Donnell!

GROUP 1 MIKE! MIKE!

GROUP 2 (COUNTERPOINT) O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL!

O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL! O'DONNELL!

GROUP 3 (COUNTERPOINT)

TAKE THE SHOT! TAKE THE SHOT!

GROUP 4 (COUNTERPOINT)

HERE WE GO. O'DONNELL! HERE WE GO! HERE WE GO, O'DONNELL! HERE WE GO!

SPECTATORS THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH

COACH MURPHY O'Donnell, what are you doing?!

YOUNG NED Something's wrong. He needs a spell of courage!

COACH MURPHY Shut it, Harry Potter.

SPECTATORS HIS FUTURE'S CRYSTAL CLEAR

COACH MURPHY The scout's watching, Mike! Take the shot!

MIKE

SUDDENLY, ALL OF THIS SEEMS LIKE SOMETHING I WON'T MISS 'CAUSE CLEARLY, YOU AND I ARE WHAT'S MEANT TO BE

YOUNG SCARLET

Mike, the game! It's your future!

MIKE

WE'LL BE A FAMILY

YOUNG SCARLET

That's crazy. You can't throw this all away.

MIKE

AND THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH IS SAYING GOODBYE!

SPECTATORS

THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH THE STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH!

COACH MURPHY & YOUNG NED (COUNTERPOINT)

WHAT'S HE DOIN'?! MIKE, WHAT ARE YOU DOIN?! WHATCHA DOIN?! MIKE, COME ON BACK! WHAT'S HE DOIN'?! MIKE, WHAT ARE YOU DOIN?! WHATCHA DOIN?! MIKE, COME ON BACK! COME ON BACK! COME ON BACK! COME ON BACK! COME ON BACK!

MIKE (COUNTERPOINT)

GOODBYE! GOODBYE! GOODBYE!

2. HAPPY FAMILY

OLDER MIKE WE'RE JUST A HAPPY FAM'LY, NORMAL AS CAN BE MY SON WON'T TALK, MY DAUGHTER SULKS, MY WIFE DEMANDS TOO MUCH OF ME.

A HAPPY FAM'LY, LIVING HOUR TO DAY TO YEAR AND EVERY SINGLE SECOND I CAN'T HELP BUT WONDER HOW WE LANDED HERE.

LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA LA

Thirty-five... Where'd it go, Scar? Seems like it was yesterday you went into labor in the middle of sex-ed class.

SCARLET

Easiest "A" I ever got. WE'RE SUCH A HAPPY FAM'LY, WE SMILE AND GRIT OUR TEETH IT'S UNDERSTOOD IT'S BEST TO HIDE FRUSTRATIONS BREWING UNDERNEATH

A HAPPY FAM'LY LIKE A ROCKWELL WORK OF ART AND FROM THE OUTSIDE WHO WOULD GUESS THAT WE'RE A FAM'LY FALLING APART?

OLDER MIKE LA LA LA LA

SCARLET LA LA LA LA

OLDER MIKE LA LA LA LA

SCARLET LA LA LA LA

BOTH LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA

MAGGIE

I'M SUFFOCATING UNDERNEATH THIS WORN-OUT FACADE WANT TO JUST RUN AWAY 'CAUSE I FEEL LIKE A FRAUD

ALEX

WHY TRY TO TALK WHEN THERE IS NO ONE WHO CARES? SO YOU KEEP TO YOURSELF, LET THE DRAMA BE THEIRS

ALL

WE'RE SUCH A HAPPY FAM'LY...

SCARLET

Any luck with the job hunt today?

MIKE

Nope. But on the upside I won \$25,000 on Pyramid.

SCARLET

You didn't even send out a résumé, did you?

MIKE

I told you, Scar, pharmaceutical companies only want to hire hot young women. And last time I checked I'm neither young nor a woman. Hot, I'll cop to.

SCARLET

This isn't a joke. You were a sales rep for fifteen years. Doesn't that mean anything?

OLDER MIKE

Yeah, it means I picked a deadend job and have nothing to show for it. I didn't mean nothing... I just mean... you know...

OLDER MIKE & SCARLET

OH, SURE WE'VE HAD OUR SHARE OF BUMPS ALONG THE WAY THAT'S THE WAY THAT IT GOES THAT'S THE FAM'LY CLICHÉ

OLDER MIKE

AND AT THE END OF EVERY TUNNEL'S A LIGHT WE MAKE PEACE, WORK IT OUT AND IT TURNS OUT ALL RIGHT...

I know you said you needed time, Scar, but I'm tired of sleeping in the guest room. Let's work this out.

OLDER MIKE & SCARLET LIKE EVERY HAPPY FAM'LY

WE LAUGH AND CRY AND

MAGGIE & ALEX IT'S TOTAL HELL

OLDER MIKE & SCARLET WE WORK ALL DAY AND THEN COME HOME

TO A HOUSE THAT'S MORE A PRISON CELL

ALL

ASK ANY HAPPY FAM'LY HOW THEY CHART THIS ROCKY COURSE AND REST ASSURED, THE ANSWER'S JUST ONE WORD

OLDER MIKE THAT WORD IS "LOVE"

SCARLET THAT WORD'S "DIVORCE."

3. TIME FOR STARTING OVER

SCARLET

FEELS LIKE I'M WALKING ON ICE FEELS LIKE IT'S STARTING TO CRACK CAN'T KEEP IGNORING THE PRICE WE'VE PAID FOR GETTING OFF TRACK IT SEEMS FOR YEARS WE'VE HELD ON JUST BY A THREAD, YOU'D AGREE WE USED TO DREAM UNTIL DAWN, BUT SOME DREAMS AREN'T

MEANT TO BE

I CAN'T SAY WHO'S TO BLAME I CAN'T KEEP ASKING WHY TWO OF US IN THIS GAME AND WE BOTH LET SOMETHING DIE

IT'S TIME FOR STARTING OVER TIME FOR LETTING GO TIME TO STOP REGRETTING WHAT COULD'VE BEEN— WE'LL NEVER KNOW TIME FOR STARTING OVER NOTHING LEFT TO DO TIME TO START THOUGH THIS BROKEN HEART WON'T EVER STOP LOVING YOU

I'M TIRED OF FIGHTING THE RAIN. JUST PAST THE CLOUDS. THERE IS HOPE LIFE CAN'T BE LIVED WITHOUT PAIN BUT YOU NEED SUNLIGHT TO COPE DON'T MEAN TO PUSH YOU AWAY NOT TRYING TO SETTLE SOME SCORE WHAT GOOD IS CHOOSING TO STAY **KNOWING WE DESERVE SO** MUCH MORE?

LET'S END THIS WITH A SMILE OR ELSE THERE'S JUST DESPAIR NO LIFE SPENT IN DENIAL IS A LIFE WE WANT TO SHARE...

IT'S TIME FOR STARTING OVER TIME FOR LETTING GO TIME TO STOP REGRETTING WHAT COULD'VE BEEN— WE'LL NEVER KNOW TIME FOR STARTING OVER NOTHING LEFT TO DO TIME TO START THOUGH THIS BROKEN HEART WON'T EVER STOP LOVING—

ONLY ON OUR OWN CAN WE FEEL LESS ALONE THOUGH WE BOTH FACE AN UPHILL CLIMB BY BREAKING FREE OF TIES THAT BIND US LEAVE THE PAST BEHIND US ALL OUR WOUNDS CAN HEAL WITH TIME

IT'S TIME FOR STARTING OVER

BRAVELY SAY GOODBYE TIME THIS STORY ENDED, WE GAVE IT OUR BEST TRY TIME FOR STARTING OVER, THAT'S ALL WE CAN DO TIME TO START THOUGH THIS BROKEN HEART WON'T EVER STOP LOVING YOU TIME TO START THOUGH THIS BROKEN HEART WON'T EVER STOP LOVING YOU

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JANITOR

Mike O'Donnell.

OLDER MIKE

Hey there, Mister... Janitor. I'm sorry, do I know you?

JANITOR

You wouldn't remember me. But I remember you.

HIGH SCHOOL SUPERSTAR DIDN'T LIVE UP TO YOUR POTENTIAL REGRETTING CHOICES YOU MADE AND WHERE YOUR LIFE LED.

OLDER MIKE

Did my wife put you up to this?

JANITOR

HIGH SCHOOL SUPERSTAR THINKIN' YOU'RE INCONSEQUENTIAL STARIN' AT THAT TROPHY CASE WISHIN' FOR THAT LIFE INSTEAD.

You're living in the past.

OLDER MIKE

Hey, why not? The past was better. They gave me trophies in the past.

JANITOR

You want to touch it?

OLDER MIKE

You work in a school, you know you can't say that.

JANITOR

WANNA TOUCH, WANNA HOLD THAT TROPHY? FEEL THE RUSH OF YOUR FORMER GLORY...

OLDER MIKE

I'm a grown man. I don't need to touch—Okay, maybe for a second.

JANITOR

DO YOU WISH YOU COULD DO IT OVER? BET YOU WISH YOU COULD DO IT OVER?

OLDER MIKE

You got that right.

JANITOR FOR ANOTHER SHOT AT GLORY THERE'S NOTHIN' SOME WON'T DO BUT BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU WISH FOR 'CAUSE WISHES CAN COME TRUE...

Go on. Whatcha waitin' for?

OLDER MIKE

Hey! What the hell is happening?!

5. **17 AGAIN**

MIKE

I KINDA WANNA SCREAM I'M KINDA FREAKIN' OUT BUT WAIT! HOLD UP! THAT'S IT! IT'S JUST A DREAM-NO DOUBT I BET THAT'S ALL IT IS I'LL WAKE WITHOUT A CARE SITTING ON MY BUTT WITH A GROWING GUT AND RECEDING HAIR. SO UNTIL THIS NIGHTMARE'S OVFR I'LL STAY CALM, COMPOSED AND ZEN 'CAUSE THERE'S NOT A CHANCE IN HELL THAT I AM SEVENTEEN AGAIN.

NED

THIS IS LIKE CRAZY COOL YET CAUSE FOR SOME DISMAY SOMEHOW YOU'RE MIKE O'DONNELL WITH TEENAGE D.N.A. A SCIENCE FICTION PLOT EXCEPT IT'S SCIENCE FACT THIS MORNING YOU WERE YOU NOT THE YOU I ONCE KNEW

WOW, THIS IS SO ABSTRACT!

MIKE

THINK I'M GONNA HAVE A MELTDOWN PUKE MY GUTS OUT IN YOUR DEN 'CAUSE I'M, NO, IT CAN'T BE... LOOK AT ME! I'M SEVENTEEN... I'M SEVENTEEN! I'M SEVENTEEN—

NED

WORRY NOT, I'VE SEEN THIS ISSUE BEFORE LUCKILY, THERE'S IMDB TO EXPLORE FOR SOLUTIONS TO THIS MYSTICAL CURSE. Genre? Body-switching movies.

FREAKY FRIDAY—MOM AND DAUGHTER WERE SWAPPED VICE VERSA—NAH, IT TOTALLY FLOPPED BIG IS JUST LIKE YOU, BUT



BOTH NFD IN THE REVERSE! WHOA YEAH, YOU DID! AND TO GET BACK ON THE MIKE **RIGHT TRACK!** Ned. my life isn't a movie! ON THE RIGHT TRACK! MIKE BACK THEN I HAD IT MADE MIKE NED I think I know why this hap-SURE YOUR SITUATION ISN'T NED THE WORLD WAS AT YOUR THE SAME. pened. Scar wants to divorce STILL YOU'RE STUCK INSIDE me, my kids want nothing to FFFT SURE TO GO REAL FAR AS A A TRANSFORMATIVE GAME do with me... It's like the uni-AND THE GOAL IS: FIND A verse is giving me a do-over. **RISING STAR** WAY TO RETURN! NED MIKE/ MIKE A do-over? LIFE WAS SUPERSWEET COULD THE REASON THAT This isn't getting us anywhere. I'M LOOKING MIKE OKAY, I'M THINKIN' BACK LIKE THE KID I KNEW BACK NED IF YOU WANT TO SEE THIS THEN/ BE BECAUSE I SHOULD MAGIC UNDONE NED YEAH, KEEP THINKIN' BACK **RE-JOIN THE TEAM** THINK OF MOVIES LIKE *LIKE* FATHER, LIKE SON MIKE EVERY CHARACTER HAD A NED TO WHEN THE CHANGE PROBLEM TAKE ANOTHER SHOT, RAISE OCCURRED SOMETHING WRONG THEY YOUR SELF-ESTEEM HAD TO SET RIGHT SOMETHING SUPERNATURAL NED BOTH OH. WHEN THE CHANGE PUSHED THEM STOP REGRETTING-GO AND LIVE THE DREAM OCCURRED ON THE PATH TO SEEING THE LIGHT! MIKE MIKE LABANDONED WAY BACK I THOUGHT MY HIGH MIKE SCHOOL LIFE SO THE UNIVERSE WANTS TO WHEN YEAH, THAT'S WHAT I GOTTA HELP ME FIX MY LIFE THAT'S WAY OUT DO NED OF WHACK? YOUR AWESOME HIGH NOW THAT I'M SEVENTEEN SCHOOL LIFE NED NED

HERE'S A CHANCE TO RECLAIM YOUR MOJO

MIKE WAS ONE THAT I PREFERRED IT'S MY SCI-FI DREAM COME TRUE

NOW THAT YOU'RE SEVENTEEN

MIKE I'M SEVENTEEN

BOTH WHOA, SEVENTEEN AGAIN!

6. A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

MASTERSON

THE PRINCIPLES OF A PRINCIPAL ARE SIMPLE AND CLEAR IF YOU HOPE TO KEEP YOUR INSTITUTION AUSTERE ESTABLISH BOUND'RIES LEAVE NO ROOM FOR DEBATE YOU DON'T COMPROMISE AND YOU NEVER NEGOTIATE...

NED

Everything in life's a negotiation. Let me give you my number... whoops, almost gave you my gold card. My bad.

MASTERSON

AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, I STICK TO THE RULES AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, I DON'T SUFFER FOOLS I WON'T ACCEPT DISSENTION YOU CROSS ME AND YOU'RE OFF TO DETENTION WHEN IT COMES TO THIS ACADEMY IT'S A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE AND THE PRINCIPAL'S ME.

AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, I WAKE BEFORE DAWN DO SOME YOGA, GO FOR A RUN THEN MOW MY OWN LAWN MY MOVES ARE CALCULATED I DROP MY LAUNDRY OFF ANNOTATED SO IT COMES BACK PERFECT, CLEAN AND PRESSED IT'S A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE DEMANDING THE BEST.

SECRETARY

Let me handle this, Principal Masterson. MANY A FATHER HAS PROVED A BOTHER IGNORIN' HER POLICY CHALLENGE HER AUTHORITY

MASTERSON

THEY THINK THEY'LL CHARM ME BUT CAN'T STRONG-ARM ME 'CAUSE PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING, IN HERE, I'M THE LAW.

SECRETARY

WHEN RULES ARE BENDED, ORDER IS ENDED AND CHAOS REIGNS SUPREME

MASTERSON

IF YOU THINK THAT I'LL GIVE IN YOU LIVE IN A DREAM...

NED

You should know it's been said I'm a tender yet voracious lover. True, I'm the one who said it—

MARK

Okay, let's go, Dad!

NED

I think we just met your new mommy.

MASTERSON

AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE MY STANDARDS ARE HIGH

SECRETARY

HER STANDARDS ARE HA-AH-IGH!

MASTERSON

I WON'T SETTLE FOR LESS THAN THE BEST GUY FATE CAN SUPPLY

SECRETARY I'D TAKE ANY GUY! MASTERSON MUST BE A STRONG ATTRACTION

BOTH FLAWLESS FROM OUR FIRST INTERACTION

MASTERSON A MAN WHOSE GREATEST STRENGTH IS HIS I.Q.

SECRETARY NO DUMMIES HERE!

MASTERSON IT'S A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

SECRETARY OH OH OH

MASTERSON IT'S A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

BOTH WHOA OH, IT'S A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

MASTERSON TO SAY "NO" TO YOU!

SECRETARY If you think you're gonna hear this bitch say yes, you've got another thing coming.

BOTH

OH YEAH!

7. **#BRANDNEWDAY**

BRITTANY #1 O-M-G, HE'S H-O-T, LIKE SERIOUSLY HOT

BRITTANY #2 F-Y-I, I MET HIM FIRST, SO I GOT DIBS

BRITTANY #1 THINK NOT!

THE BRITTANYS SAME OLD FACES EVERY YEAR WE'RE STUCK WITHIN THESE HALLS

BRITTANY #3 HE'S MAKIN' ME ALL CRAY-CRAY PLAYIN' WITH THOSE BOUNCY BALLS!

ALL THREE WHOA WHOA, A NEW GUY IS HERE HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY! WHOA WHOA, OH ONE THING IS CLEAR

BRITTANY #1 HE'LL BE MINE, HA HA, J-K Just kidding!

THE BRITTANYS HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY! DAY! BRITTANY #1 T-M-I, YOU KNOW THAT I'D GET COZY IN HIS LAP

BRITTANY #2 B-T DUBS, HEARD MONSTER JOCK'S HIS NICKNAME ON WHATSAPP

BRITTANY #3 N-G-L, NOT GONNA LIE—HE'S SO INSANELY SMART

THE BRITTANYS OH, YOU CAN BET I'D LET HIM CONQUER MORE THAN JUST MY HEART!

ALL GIRLS WHOA WHOA, A NEW GUY IS HERE HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY! WHOA WHOA, LOOKS LIKE SENIOR YEAR WILL BE ACTION-PACKED, HEY HEY... IT'S A HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY! DAY!

THE BRITTANYS LOOK AT HIM MOVE YOU GOTTA ACKNOWLEDGE HE'S NOT LIKE OTHER HIGH SCHOOL GUYS NOTHING TO PROVE IT'S LIKE HE'S IN COLLEGE WISDOM BURNING IN HIS EYES

BRITTANY #1 HE'S CONFIDENT

BRITTANY #2 LIKE SO SECURE

BRITTANY #3 HE'S SEVENTEEN

THE BRITTANYS BUT SO MATURE

MARK

I CAN JUMP AND I CAN DUNK AND NOT RUN OUT OF AIR I CAN FEEL MY ABS OF STEEL AND THICK FULL HEAD OF HAIR SUPERSIZE THOSE CHILI FRIES MORE NACHOS, MISS THAT TASTE TEN PIZZAS AND I STILL WOULD HAVE A TWENTY-EIGHT-INCH WAIST! A FRICKIN' TWENTY-EIGHT-

ALL GIRLS WHOA WHOA

INCH WAIST!!!

MARK A NEW GUY IS HERE

ALL GIRLS HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY!

MARK I'LL GO ALL THE WAY! ALL GIRLS WHOA WHOA, I JUST SHED A TEAR

BRITTANY #1 IF HE CALLS YOU L-M-K

MARK NEXT STOP: NBA!

ALL GIRLS HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY WHOA OH

MARK

HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY WHOA OH

ALL GIRLS HASHTAG BRAND NEW—

ALL

HASHTAG BRAND NEW— HASHTAG BRAND NEW—

MARK Wait—what exactly is a hashtag anyway?

BRITTANY #2 Hashtag L-M-A-O!

MARK Still not getting it.

ALL HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY!

8. LOSERS DON'T EVER WIN

ALEX

I DON'T WANNA STAND OUT. DON'T WANT TO AT ALL I WOULD RATHER BE INVISIBI F THAN MADE TO FEEL SMALL GUYS TRY OUT FOR THE TFAM HOPE THEY'RE FIRST TO GET PICKED LJUST HOPE TO MAKE IT THROUGH THE DAY WITHOUT MY ASS KICKED OH, HIGH SCHOOL BITES. IT'S SO DERANGED IF I MAKE IT OUT, TELL YOU HOW I'D CHANGE...

I'D BE BRAVE, I'D BE BOLD AND BE, LIKE, FILTHY RICH AND THE JOCKS WORK FOR ME BECAUSE KARMA'S A BITCH NO LONGER THE NOTHING THAT I'VE ALWAYS BEEN BUT SOMEHOW IT NEVER SEEMS TO GET BETTER 'CAUSE LOSERS DON'T EVER WIN.

SO, FOR NOW I ACCEPT EATING LUNCH ALL ALONE PRETENDIN' I AM CHECKIN' ALL THE TEXTS ON MY PHONE IF I NEVER ENGAGE THEY CAN'T LAUGH IN MY FACE OR CALL ME DORK OR DWEEB OR SAY THAT I'M WASTED SPACE HIGH SCHOOL SUCKS YEAH, HIGH SCHOOL'S CRUEL AND IF I SURVIVE AND MAKE IT THROUGH...

I'LL WORK OUT, I'LL GET BUFF, SHOUT "I'M PROUD THAT I'M HERE" AS THE JOCKS ALL GO BALD AND GET FAT DRINKING BEER YOU WON'T SEE A ZIT ANYWHERE ON MY SKIN BUT SADLY, HOWEVER, THINGS WON'T GET BETTER 'CAUSE LOSERS DON'T EVER

GOT A FAM'LY WHO'S ALL MESSED UP AND BROKEN AND TO EVERY GIRL, I'M KIND OF A JOKE SO I GOTTA ACT LIKE I JUST DON'T CARE HEY, NO ONE SAID LIFE IS FAIR...

WIN.

OH, IN JUST A FEW YEARS, GRADUATE AND BE GONE AND I'LL BE ANYWHERE BUT DUCT-TAPED TO THE JOHN I WAIT AND I HOPE FOR THAT LIFE TO BEGIN WHERE I'VE GOT IT TOGETHER WHERE EVERY DAY'S BETTER BUT LOSERS DON'T EVER WIN! DON'T EVER WIN! SADLY, IT NEVER SEEMS TO GET BETTER OH, LOSERS DON'T EVER WIN!

S. GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU

STAN

HOW CAN I FOCUS ON HOMEWORK AT A TIME LIKE THIS WHEN I AM STARIN' AT LIPS THAT I'VE JUST GOTTA KISS?

MAGGIE

Not now.

STAN

YOUR HAIR SMELLS AWESOME YOUR EYES IGNITE A HUNGER INSIDE NO WAY TO FIGHT IT YOU'RE LIKE MY AIR, MY CARBON DIOXIDE...

MAGGIE

I think you mean oxygen.

STAN

Yeah, H2O, that's what I said. OH PRETTY BABY... DON'T LET THIS PRECIOUS MOMENT PASS US BY OR WE'LL REGRET IT 'TIL THE DAY WE DIE WE'VE BEEN HOOKIN' UP SINCE ELEVENTH GRADE I'M GONNA BLOW JUST LIKE A LIVE GRENADE WHEN TWO PEOPLE SHARE A LOVE LIKE OURS THEIR SOULS ENCIRCLE LIKE THE RINGS OF MARS

MAGGIE

Saturn.

STAN

THERE'S A UNIVERSE OF FEELINGS TO PURSUE AND GIRL, I'M GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU HEY YEAH, GIRL, I'M GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU

MAGGIE

How very astronomical of you.

STAN

Well, you're out of this world, baby.

MAGGIE

Back to algebra. Now if x plus nine equals eighteen minus two times x, what does x equal?

STAN

HERE'S AN EQUATION I AM "A" AND BABY, YOU'RE "B" ADD US TOGETHER AND WE EQUAL SOMETHIN' HEAVENLY

MAGGIE

PLEASE DON'T DISTRACT ME 'CAUSE THIS EQUATION'S KINDA COMPLEX

STAN

HEY, I JUST SOLVED IT THE MISSING VARIABLE IS S-E-X!

MAGGIE

I CAN'T DENY THAT YOU'RE SUPER-SEXY WITH THE HOTTEST LOOKS THOUGH SEMI-LITERATE WHEN READING BOOKS STILL I CAN'T IGNORE YOUR BODY, TONED AND SLIM

STAN

YOU'RE MY INSPIRATION AT THE GYM

MAGGIE I DON'T WANNA GO PAST SECOND BASE

STAN

SECOND BASE IS MY THIRD FAV'RITE PLACE HOME, THIRD, SECOND, YEAH! THERE IS MORE THAN A SCHOLASTIC POINT OF VIEW

MAGGIE

Nice SAT word!

STAN

There's more where that came from... AND BABY, LET ME SHOW IT TO YOU. HEY YEAH, GIRL, I'M GONNA TO SHOW IT TO—

MAGGIE

No! You've got your future to think about. And ours.

STAN

You know I've already got that all worked out. YOU'LL GIVE UP GEORGETOWN STAY HERE, BE MY WIFE AND I'LL GIVE YOU WHATEVER YOU PLEASE I'LL MAKE BANK AT WALMART, SUPPORT YOU FOR LIFE, AND ONCE A MONTH, WE CAN SPLURGE ON STEAK AT... APPLEBEE'S!

MARK

Very impressive. You are seriously good, Alex. How did I not know this?

ALEX I'm just fooling around.

MARK So, where's your sister?

ALEX Up in her room studying.

MARK 'Atta girl.

ALEX With Stan.

MARK Stan? What's that dickbag doing

here?

ALEX

He's always here. He's her boyfriend. Yesterday he stuffed me in our washing machine.

MARK

Wait—Maggie has a boyfriend?! Stan is Maggie's boyfriend?!

ALEX

And you know they're not studying, they're up there—

MARK

No, no, no, no, no, no, no!!!!!

STAN & MAGGIE

THE FLAME OF LOVE HAS NEVER BURNED AS BRIGHT

MARK

IT'S NOT RIGHT!

STAN & MAGGIE

AS IT IS BURNING HERE WITH YOU TONIGHT

NOT TONIGHT — NOT EVER!

STAN & MAGGIE

WHO COULD EVER UNDERSTAND WHAT WE HAVE GOT?

ALEX

YOU OKAY?

STAN

AND WHO COULD EVER BE, LIKE, HALF AS HOT?

STAN & MAGGIE

WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO LOSING ALL CONTROL MARK GOTTA STOP IT

STAN & MAGGIE BARING HEART AND BODY, MIND AND SOUL

ALEX JUST CHILL

MARK LIKE, NOW!

MAGGIE

CARPE DIEM!

STAN

HOLD ON, DOES THAT MEAN WE'RE THROUGH?

MAGGIE

NO... IT MEANS "BOY, I'M GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU."

MARK

OH MY GOD! OH MY GOD!

STAN

GIRL, I'M GONNA SHOW IT TO YOU.

ALEX

YOU NEED A XANAX?

STAN & MAGGIE OH, I'M GONNA SHOW IT TO—

10. MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT

NAOMI

IT'S TIME THAT YOU THINK MORE ABOUT YOU START DOIN' THE THINGS YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO YOUR PRETTY YEARS SOON WILL BE YESTERDAY SO USE YOUR ASSETS AND GET SOME PLAY

IT'S TIME THAT YOU LET LOOSE, GAVE INTO DESIRE SURRENDER TO EACH IMPULSE AND LIGHT THAT FIRE!

BEFORE THIS DANCE HAS COME TO AN END JUST HIT THE FLOOR, THEN HIT IT AGAIN SO SHAKE, BREAK IT DOWN NO WRONG AND NO RIGHT MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT.

SCARLET

I'm too old for clubbing, I wanna make sure all these people get home safely.

NAOMI

YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES

GO MAKE A SCENE TONIGHT YOU'RE NOT "MOM" YOU ARE A "DANCING QUEEN" HIT ON SOME GUY, GO CRASH AT HIS PAD SOMETIMES IT'S GOOD BEING A LITTLE BAD TIRED OF BEIN' DRIVEN BY SAFE DECISIONS? SAY GOODBYE TO THOSE FOOLISH INHIBITIONS

SCARLET

I can't believe I'm doing this.

NAOMI

BEFORE THIS DANCE HAS COME TO AN END JUST HIT THE FLOOR THEN HIT IT AGAIN SO SHAKE, BREAK IT DOWN NO WRONG AND NO RIGHT MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT.

NAOMI

TAKE A SHOT THEN TAKE ANOTHER LET THE GOOD TIMES START TO FLOW NOW'S THE MOMENT, THERE'S NO OTHER POP THE CORK, AND WATCH IT BLOW! JUEPA!

LEAVE BEHIND A LIFE OF TROUBLE LET GO OF WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN TIME TO BURST OUT FROM YOUR BUBBLE FLIRT A LITTLE, IT'S NO SIN

GUYS (IN COUNTERPOINT)

OOH OOH OOH POP THE CORK, AND WATCH IT BLOW! JUEPA! OOH OOH OOH FLIRT A LITTLE, IT'S NO SIN.

NAOMI

AND NEITHER'S SHOWING SOME SKIN! SOME SKIN!

MARK

What the hell is going on here?

SCARLET

That face... Naomi, doesn't he look just like—

MARK

Forget who I look like! You're not even divorced yet and you're trying to meet guys? Don't you know your children need you?!

NAOMI

Hey, back off, Skippy. You're not her husband.

SCARLET

And my kids are fine.

MARK

Fine?! Alex has bald spots on his arms from being taped to the toilet and Maggie's giving up Georgetown for a guy whose dream is to sell vacuum cleaners a little cheaper than the other places that sell vacuum cleaners!

NAOMI

Can you get him out of here?

MARK You've got to do something!

BARTENDER

Hey, kid, I need to see some I.D.

MARK You mind? I'm trying to—

BARTENDER Now!

NAOMI & BAR PATRONS

BEFORE THIS DANCE HAS COME TO AN END OOH

SCARLET

You're so concerned about my kids, go talk to their father. Oh, wait, you can't. Because he's in Peru finding himself!

NAOMI & BAR PATRONS JUST HIT THE FLOOR, THEN

HIT IT AGAIN OOH

SCARLET That man dragged me down for way too long.

NAOMI & BAR PATRONS

SO SHAKE, BREAK IT DOWN NO WRONG AND NO RIGHT OOH

SCARLET

You're right, Naomi. Time to start making up for lost time.

NAOMI & BAR PATRONS MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT

SCARLET You, tank top, show me what you got!

MARK

Scar, don't do this!

BARTENDER

Nice try, kid. This is a picture of a disenchanted old guy. You gotta go.

MARK

Please! I've gotta talk to her.

BARTENDER

Don't make me get the bat!

BAR PATRONS

BEFORE THIS DANCE HAS COME TO AN END JUST HIT THE FLOOR THEN HIT IT AGAIN SO SHAKE, BREAK IT DOWN NO WRONG AND NO RIGHT

NAOMI & SCARLET (IN COUN-TERPOINT) COME TO AN END

HIT IT AGAIN

ALL

MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT MAKE THE MOST OF TONIGHT

11. THE GREATEST PRIZE

MARK

TURNING SEVENTEEN AGAIN WAS LIKE A TOTAL DREAM A SECOND SHOT TO BE THE GREATEST PLAYER ON THE TEAM HELD THAT TROPHY IN MY HAND SOMETHING HAPPENED SO UNPLANNED I NEVER TRIED TO UNDERSTAND IF THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE

OLDER MIKE

AND NOW THAT DREAM IS FADING AS I FACE THE PAINFUL TRUTH THIS TRANSFORMATION WASN'T CAUSE TO JUST RELIVE MY YOUTH I WAS SELFISH, I WAS BLIND CLAIMING LIFE LEFT ME BEHIND I NEEDED SOMETHING TO REMIND ME WHAT I'M LIVING FOR...

BOTH

AND NOW I REALIZE THE GREATEST PRIZE HAS BEEN THERE ALL ALONG I REALIZE THE GREATEST PRIZE IS WHY I MUST BE STRONG MY WIFE AND KIDS, THEY NEED ME THEY SO ARE WORTH THE FIGHT NOW I REALIZE THEY'RE THE GREATEST PRIZE SO IT'S TIME TO SET THINGS RIGHT

OLDER MIKE

I TOOK FOR GRANTED THOSE I LOVED WOULD BE THERE EVERY DAY

MARK

BUT NOW THEY'RE SLIPPING THROUGH MY HANDS LIKE

SAND SLIPPING AWAY

OLDER MIKE NEED TO SHOW THEM HOW I FEEL

MARK SHOW THEM THAT MY LOVE IS REAL

OLDER MIKE

YES, THAT IS WHY THIS WHOLE ORDEAL IS HAPPENING TO ME

MARK

GOTTA MAKE MY FAM'LY SEE

BOTH

THAT I REALIZE THE GREATEST PRIZE IS BEING BY THEIR SIDE I REALIZE THE GREATEST PRIZE IS SOMETHING I'VE DENIED TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER THAN WHEN WE'RE ON OUR OWN NOW I REALIZE THEY'RE THE GREATEST PRIZE I COULD HAVE EVER KNOWN

MARK

WASTED YEARS I DREAMED OF SOME NEW SETTING FILLED WITH FAME AND FORTUNE AND ACCLAIM I'M SO DONE LAMENTING AND REGRETTING NOW IT'S TIME

OLDER MIKE (IN COUNTERPOINT)

WASTED YEARS THAT I DREAMED, FORTUNE AND ACCLAIM LAMENTING IT'S TIME

BOTH

TO PLAY A BRAND NEW GAME IT'S A BRAND NEW DAY!

OH, I REALIZE THE GREATEST PRIZE IS ONLY MINE TO LOSE I REALIZE THAT HAPPINESS IS SOMETHING I MUST CHOOSE AND FROM THIS MOMENT ONWARD I'M ANSWERING THE CALL 'CAUSE I REALIZE THEY'RE THE GREATEST PRIZE AFTER ALL!

12. TAKE A SHOT

COACH MURPHY

Okay, Jockstraps! Impress me! IF MY TEAM IS WHERE YOU REALLY WANNA PLAY AND YOU THINK YOU GOT THE SKILLS TO TAKE YOU ALL THE WAY TIME TO PROVE IT TO ME OR YOU'RE OUT, BYE BYE GOTTA BE THE BEST TO BE THE STARS OF KENNEDY HIGH... Yo Pippin, over here!

STUDENT

You think I play like Scottie Pippen?

COACH MURPHY

No, I think you can play "Pippin." Drama club's down the hall. Beat it!

BASKETBALL HOPEFULS

IF YOU WANNA SCORE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT WHATCHA GOT TO LOSE? SHOW 'EM WHAT YOU GOT

COACH MURPHY

YOU WANT SCREAMIN' FANS SHOUTIN' "YOU'RE SO HOT"?

COACH MURPHY & BASKETBALL HOPEFULS YOU GOTTA TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT!

ACT TW/0

ALEX

What are we doing here? It's a waste of time. I'm never going to make the team.

MARK

Alex, you're as good as any of these guys.

ALEX My dad's the basketball player.

MARK

And he never made it. But there's nothing that'll make him prouder than watching you on that court.

ALEX

You think so?

MARK

I know it. You just need some confidence. TIME TO DO THINGS DIFFERENT THAN YOU'VE DONE BEFORE SHOW THE WORLD THE BIGGEST LOSER ISN'T YOU ANYMORE TIME TO SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS, HELP YOU LIVE THE DREAM THINGS'LL TURN AROUND 'CAUSE WE'RE GETTIN' YOU ON THE TEAM!

ALEX

Not gonna happen.

MARK

IF YOU WANNA SCORE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT WHATCHA GOT TO LOSE? SHOW 'EM WHAT YOU GOT YOU WANT SCREAMIN' FANS SHOUTIN' "YOU'RE SO HOT"? YOU GOTTA TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT!

MARK & COACH MURPHY TAKIN' THE LEAP, RISKIN' IT ALL REACHIN' FOR GLORY MEANS SOMETIMES YOU FALL DEFENSE IS KEY, BE BRAVE, HOLD YOUR GROUND

COACH MURPHY

AND ALWAYS BE READY TO CATCH THE REBOUND!

MARK

THE NEW STAR OF KENNEDY HIGH IS ABOUT TO BE FOUND!

ALEX

IF I WANNA SCORE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT NOT A THING TO LOSE, SHOW 'EM WHAT I GOT I WANT SCREAMIN' FANS SHOUTIN'

ALL GIRLS ALEX, YOU'RE HOT!

ALEX SO I'LL TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT!

COACH MURPHY

That's what I'm talking about! You're on the team! Okay, who's next?

MARK

You did it!

ALEX

Hugging?!

MARK

Right, we're bros, bros don't hug. What am I, your dad?

ALL

IF YOU WANNA SCORE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT WHATCHA GOT TO LOSE? SHOW 'EM WHAT YOU GOT YOU WANT SCREAMIN' FANS SHOUTIN', "YOU'RE SO HOT"? YOU GOTTA TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A

MARK & ALEX

GOTTA TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A

ALL

GOTTA TAY-EE-AY-EE-AKE GOTTA TAKE A SHOT!

13. LOYE YOU TILL FOREVER

MALE RECORDING VOCALIST (V.O.)

IN YOUR EYES OH, WHAT A PERFECT SIGHT IN YOUR EYES SOMETHING'S BEGINNING IN YOUR EYES ALL OF MY DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT WITH A SIMPLE SOLEMN VOW LIFE IS STARTING HERE AND NOW

OLDER MIKE & MALE VOCALIST

I'LL BE THERE WHENEVER YOU NEED A FRIEND I'LL BE THERE DON'T EVER DOUBT IT I'LL BE THERE LONELY NIGHTS AT AN END WE CAN PICK A STAR IN THE SKY MAKE A WISH FOR YOU AND I, OH...

OLDER MIKE

I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVER YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE MY HEART I'LL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER OUR DAYS MAY TAKE US DESPITE HOW WINDS MAY SHAKE US TO OUR CORE OH, I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVERMORE.

SCARLET YEARS FROM NOW TODAY WILL BE FAR AWAY YEARS FROM NOW WILL WE REMEMBER? YEARS FROM NOW WHEN WE ARE OLD AND GREY I'LL RECALL WHAT WE WENT THROUGH THANKFUL IT WAS ALL WITH YOU...

OH, I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVER

OLDER MIKE YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE MY HEART

OLDER MIKE & SCARLET I'LL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER OUR DAYS MAY TAKE US DESPITE HOW WINDS MAY SHAKE US TO OUR CORE I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVER—

STRUGGLES WE FACE FEELINGS THAT DROWN US DAYS WE CAN'T MAKE THE CLIMB WE'LL WIN THE RACE NOTHING CAN DOWN US IF YOU JUST KEEP YOUR HAND IN MINE

I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVER YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE MY HEART I'LL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER OUR DAYS MAY TAKE US DESPITE HOW WINDS MAY SHAKE US TO OUR CORE I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVERMORE

MALE RECORDING VOCALIST (V.O.) I'LL LOVE YOU TILL FOREVERMORE.

14. YOU DESERVE THE BEST

MARK

I STILL RECALL THE MOMENT I FIRST SAW YOUR FACE I FELT A HAPPINESS THAT NOTHING COULD REPLACE YOUR SMILE, IT MADE ME MELT YOU LAUGHED AND STOLE MY HEART WHEN YOU CRY, NOT GONNA LIE IT MAKES ME FALL APART

OH, YOU DESERVE A SOMEONE WHO LOVES YOU FROM THEIR SOUL YOU DESERVE A SOMEONE WHO WITHOUT YOU ISN'T WHOLE SO HOLD OUT FOR THAT PERSON WHO IS SURE TO PASS THE TEST DON'T KNOW MUCH, BUT WHAT I KNOW IS YOU DESERVE THE BEST OH, YOU DESERVE THE BEST

MAGGIE

I had no idea you cared so much.

MARK

I know I messed up, I'm just trying to make things right.

MAGGIE

You totally are. I'VE NEVER HAD SOMEONE WHO GUIDED ME THIS WAY THEN SOMEHOW YOU SHOW UP AND AT ONCE I FEEL OKAY YOU ARE SAYING THINGS SO THOUGHTFUL AND MATURE WASN'T WELL, WAS IN A SPELL BUT MAYBE YOU'RE THE CURE

MARK

OH, YOU DESERVE A SOMEONE WHO WON'T DOUBT YOU OR DECEIVE WHO'LL ALWAYS HELP YOU REALIZE HOW MUCH YOU CAN ACHIEVE UNTIL YOU FIND THAT PERSON PLEASE GOD, STAY FULLY DRESSED

MAGGIE

YOU'RE SO SWEET, YOU REALLY THINK THAT I DESERVE THE BEST?

MARK

OH, YOU DESERVE THE-

MAGGIE

YOU'RE SO COOL, YOU'RE SO SMART YOU'RE ALL THINGS PURE AND TRUE I'M A FOOL, BUT YOUR HEART IT MAKES ME SEE I SHOULD BE WITH A GUY WHO'S MORE LIKE YOU...

MARK

Hey, I'm having a party at my place tonight. Why don't you come? It might cheer you up.

MAGGIE

I'd like that.

MARK

And I bet there'll be some nice, smart boys there. With bright futures. Maybe even a couple of mathletes! OH, YOU DESERVE A SOMEONE WHO WILL ALWAYS TREAT YOU RIGHT

MAGGIE

I'M THINKIN' THAT THAT SOMEONE WILL BE AT YOUR HOUSE TONIGHT

MARK

YOU HAVE SO MUCH POTENTIAL

MAGGIE I'M THROUGH FEELING DEPRESSED

MARK

THAT'S WHY I'M HERE, TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT YOU DESERVE THE BEST

MAGGIE

I WANT SOMEONE WHO RESPECTS ME WHO WILL STOP WHEN I PROTEST

MARK

YOU'RE MAKIN' DAD, LIKE, REALLY GLAD OH, YOU DESERVE THE—

MAGGIE

Dad? Why'd you bring up my dad?

MARK

I didn't.

MAGGIE

No, I'm pretty sure you did.

MARK

I said I was glad... you know, that you're feeling better. Because your happiness means everything to me. OH, YOU DESERVE...

MAGGIE

I DESERVE...

BOTH

THE BEST, THE BEST, THE BEST, THE BEST!

15. TRA LA LA

NED

Top of their game, who'd win in a fight? Aragorn or Legolas.

MASTERSON

Legolas.

NED Frodo or Bilbo?

MASTERSON Bilbo.

NED

Whoa. Could you actually be my... Evenstar?

LET US TAKE AN EPIC JOURNEY EXPLORING MIDDLE EARTH I'LL FEND OFF SAURON'S FORCES AND PROVE TO YOU MY WORTH THE RING THAT FRODO CARRIED FROM THE SHIRE 'CROSS THE LAND WON'T HOLD HALF THE AWESOME POWER AS THE RING I HOPE TO PLACE UPON YOUR HAND...

TRA LA LA LA LA LA MY HEART LIVES TO SING TO THEE TRA LA LA LA LA LA OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE TRA LA LA LA LA LA MY SOUL'S GREATEST FANTASY TRA LA LA LA LA LA OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE

MASTERSON

Your appreciation for Tolkien is noted. But if fantasy fiction is the depth of your nerd-dom, I'm not impressed.

NED

Oh I'm just gettin' my geek on. LET ME BE YOUR BRAVE HAN SOLO

MASTERSON YOU'RE MORE LIKE JAR-JAR BINKS

NED

CAPTAIN KIRK WITHOUT THOSE TRIBBLES

MASTERSON GOD, THAT EPISODE REALLY STINKS!

NED

I know, seriously! I'LL BE SUPERMAN TO YOUR LOIS YOU'RE HERMIONE, AND I'M RON

MASTERSON

I'D HOOK UP WITH HARRY POTTER 'CAUSE THAT WIZARD'S SO MUCH HOTTER—RON'S A YAWN!

NED

WHETHER RONALD OR HARRY, A HOBBIT OR FAIRY, JUST MARRY ME AT COMIC-CON!

TRA LA LA LA LA LA LIFE COULD BE A SPRITELY SPREE TRA LA LA LA LA LA THE FORCE IS SUPER-STRONG WITH ME! TRA LA LA LA LA LA LET ME DEMONSTRATE FOR THEE TRA LA LA LA LA LA OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE!

(The restaurant magically transforms as NED leads MASTERSON through a series of sci-fi/fantasy/comic book settings to prove his worth, fighting off a cavalcade of villains.)

ENSEMBLE

OOH, OOH, OOH, OOH NED! NED! FIGHTING FOR JUSTICE! NED! NED! HE'S ON HIS WAY! NED! NED! HE IS YOUR HERO! NEVER YOU FEAR, OH, HE'LL SAVE THE DAY!

MASTERSON Ned, you really are King of the Nerds!

NED And a nerd king needs his queen!

ALL TRA LA LA LA LA LA

NED & MASTERSON LET THE WORLD HEAR OUR DECREE

ALL TRA LA LA LA LA LA

NED & MASTERSON OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE.

ALL TRA LA LA LA LA LA

NED & MASTERSON MY FELLOW COSPLAY DEVOTEE **ALL** TRA LA LA LA LA LA OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE

NED

I'M LIKE GANDALF BACK FROM DEATH

MASTERSON

I DON'T FEAR DARTH VADER'S BREATH

NED & MASTERSON

WHEN YOU'RE TRA-LA-LA-LA-ING NEXT TO ME... OUR FELLOWSHIP IS MEANT TO BE.

NED

So... your Hobbit Hole or mine?

16. SOMETHING SO PERFECT

MARK

THE DAY I FIRST SAW YOU, I'LL NEVER FORGET SINGING OUT LIKE A FREAK TO A BEATLES CASSETTE HAD TO HAVE YOU, I THOUGHT, OR ELSE I MIGHT DIE LIFE WITHOUT YOU WOULD NEVER BE FINE REMEMBER THAT GAME WHEN I MISSED THAT BIG PLAY? YOU WHISPERED YOU LOVED ME, AND ALL WAS OKAY NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENED, IT WASN'T SO BAD 'CAUSE I WAS YOURS AND YOU WERE MINE

WE HAD SOMETHING SO PERFECT, SOMETHING SO RARE BUT I TOOK FOR GRANTED YOU'D ALWAYS BE THERE I LONG TO START OVER 'CAUSE I FIN'LLY SEE THAT SOMETHING SO PERFECT WAS YOU AND ME

THINKING BACK ON THE TIMES WHEN WE STAYED UP ALL NIGHT 'CAUSE THE KIDS WOULDN'T SLEEP IF WE WEREN'T IN SIGHT TOGETHER WE MADE AN UNBEATABLE TEAM IT WAS SOMETHING RIGHT OUT OF A DREAM...

WE HAD SOMETHING SO PERFECT THEN I GOT LOST HOW COULD I HAVE KNOWN HOW PAINFUL THE COST? I'LL DO WHAT IT TAKES TO BECOME US ONCE MORE 'CAUSE SOMETHING SO PERFECT IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR IT TOOK LOSING YOU TO TRULY UNDERSTAND HOW I FAILED YOU AS A HUSBAND AND A MAN...

WE HAD SOMETHING SO PERFECT BUT I NEVER KNEW HOW MUCH LESS THAN PERFECT LIFE IS WITHOUT YOU I LONG TO START OVER 'CAUSE I FIN'LLY SEE THAT SOMETHING SO PERFECT WAS YOU AND ME

BUT IF YOU'VE STARTED OVER AND REALLY ARE GONE THEN I GUESS, IF I LOVE YOU, I SHOULD LET YOU MOVE ON

17. 17 AGAIN / #BRANDNEWDAY FINALE

OLDER MIKE

ONLY A WEEK AGO MY LIFE WAS WAY OFF TRACK BUT WITH SOME CRAZY MAGIC I GOT MY FAM'LY BACK

SCARLET

WE GOT A SECOND CHANCE THROUGH SOME WEIRD TWIST OF FATE

OLDER MIKE

I DON'T WANNA MISS NOT A SINGLE KISS

SCARLET I WON'T MAKE YOU WAIT

OLDER MIKE

Okay, gotta put you down. That was a lot easier yesterday. I WILL STAND HERE PROUD EXCLAIMING I'M THE LUCKIEST OF MEN THAT'S THE TRUEST THING I LEARNED WHEN I WAS SEVENTEEN AGAIN I'M SO GLAD THAT I SURVIVED AND THAT I'M THIRTY-FIVE AGAIN

ALL

AND THAT'S THE WAY IT ENDS IT ONLY GOES TO SHOW THE LIFE YOU THINK YOU WISH FOR COULD BE THE ONE YOU KNOW BETTER TO NOT GIVE UP, JUST TAKE ANOTHER SHOT

OLDER MIKE

ME? I CAME AROUND CAUGHT THE BIG REBOUND NOW LOOK ALL I'VE GOT

ENSEMBLE (IN COUNTERPOINT) AHH...

ALL

DO YOU WANT A HAPPY FUTURE? DON'T GET STUCK ON WAY BACK WHEN

MARK

OR SURPRISE, BEFORE YOUR EYES, YOU MIGHT BE SEVENTEEN AGAIN!

ALL

YEAH, SURPRISE, BEFORE YOUR EYES, YOU MIGHT BE SEVENTEEN, SEVENTEEN, SEVENTEEN—

OLDER MIKE

WHOA WHOA, A NEW GUY IS HERE!

ALL HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY!

OLDER MIKE HIGH SCHOOL COACH, THE PERFECT CAREER

ALEX & MAGGIE WE ARE GONNA BE OKAY!

ALL IT'S A HASHTAG BRAND NEW—

NED & MASTERSON WHOA WHOA, DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE HEARD

ALL

HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY!

NED

GOT THE GIRL!

MASTERSON AND I GOT THE NERD!

ALL

WHO'D HAVE GUESSED IT'D END THIS WAY? IT'S A HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY, WHOA OH, HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY, WHOA OH, HASHTAG BRAND NEW— HASHTAG BRAND NEW— HASHTAG BRAND NEW— HASHTAG BRAND NEW DAY! A BRAND NEW DAY! A BRAND NEW DAY!



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