

EXT. STEVE AND MOLLY'S ROOF - NIGHT

Steve stands on the edge, staring a the city, drinking a BEER.

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MOLLY (OVER)

I bought dumplings.

Molly approaches behind him. Steve nods but doesn't turn.

STEVE

I wish I could fly. Birds are supposed to be able to fly.

MOLLY

You don't do melodrama well.

STEVE

(turning)

No.

(smiles)

I quess not.

(beat)

Last night--

MOLLY

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STEVE

I guess I kind of over reacted.

MOLLY

You think?

He smiles. She smiles back. Then grows serious again.

MOLLY (CONT'D)

I need a break, Steve.

He looks down at her, the girl he loves.

MOLLY (CONT'D)

I'm going home to Wisconsin.

She holds his eyes, her gaze unflinching.

MOLLY (CONT'D)

Come with me?

The moment lasts.

STEVE

Guess we better eat while it's hot.

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MOLLY

Why's that?

STEVE

I remember correctly, the dim sum in Wisconsin is crap.

She leans up and kisses him. Feels the heat between them.

MOLLY

So maybe we let it get cold.

She kisses him again, harder---

EXT. FISHERMAN'S WHARF - DAY

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John and Molly stand in line amongst unaware civilians, just another two attractive, winded jocks waiting to order.

Why are you guys here?

JOHN

Molly smiles sadly, shakes her head.

MOLLY

Steve would say we're tracking the source of a designer drug that popped up in Georgetown. But the truth is...

(then)

We had to leave D.C.

That gets John's attention.

MOLLY (CONT'D)

Steve was roughing up perps. They were getting off on technicalities. The cops were talking about a task force. To arrest us. And you know Steve likes a fight on a good day.

He looks at her, her eyes distraught.

JOHN

How bad?

MOLLY

Two fractures, three concussions. That's in the last year. He's got a herniated disk. His knees are giving him real problems.

JOHN

What's he on?

MOLLY

Desoxyn for the pain. Nuvigil. Not to mention the booze.

JOHN

Jesus, Molly--

MOLLY

We're still good out there, John. Really good. But I'm worried. One slip. You know. We've all seen it.

He nods. He knows.

JOHN

He should quit. You both should.

MOLLY

And do what? Not all of us are qualified to fake being a cop.

That came out harsher than she intended.

MOLLY (CONT'D)

I'm sorry. I didn't mean--

JOHN

Hey. It's okay. Call it what it is. I know why you're here.

(then)

You love him, Molly, you don't want him to get hurt. I understand that.

MOLLY

(oddly hollow)

I love him.

JOHN

Molly--

MOLLY

He just needs to reign it in. If you talk to him, he might just listen. He respects you.

I think you're forgetting one minor detail.

She holds his eyes.

MOLLY

I'm not forgetting.

(looks down)

That's ancient history, right?

But the truth is, neither seems entirely sure.

JOHN

What if we go over what you've got on this drug ring? Maybe I can get them busted before Steve hurts himself.

OFF Molly, considering.

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