Open Letter (To a Landlord)

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This is my neighborhood This is where I come from I call this place my home You call this place a slum You wanna run the people out This is what you're all about Treat poor people just like trash Turn around and make big cash

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Last month there was a fire I saw seven children die You sent flowers to their families But your sympathy's a lie 'Cause every building that you burn Is more blood money that you earn We are forced to relocate From the pain that you create

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We lived here for so many years Now this house is full of fear For a profit you will take control Where will all the older people go? There used to be when kids could play Without the scourge of drug's decay Now our kids are living dead They crack and blow their lives away

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