Hold Back The Dawn

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The sun was going down over Echo Park Wet raven hair glowing in the dark And that's when the fever would rise

And Lord, what a look in her eyes From the moment that she blows out the light We'd be lost in the forever night

Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn Won't you raise up your hand And hold back the dawn?

I dreamt if I could lay you upon this bed of straw And we may break the rules, but we don't break the law Come across but the river's too wide

I come across but the river's too high And over by the fountain where we meet I will lay silver roses at your feet

Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn Won't you raise up your hand And hold back the dawn, come on?

Now I have seen a painting, old and hanging in a frame And that painting was of you, now how can you explain From another place in time, done many years ago

Why I'm haunted by this vision, guess we'll never know And then she turned and whispered in my ear Can you feel my heartbeat?

Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn Won't you raise up your hand And hold back the dawn?

Come on, let the light go on, let the light go on Won't you raise, won't you raise up? Won't you raise up your hand and hold back the dawn?

Hold back the dawn, won't you raise up your hand And hold back the dawn?
Let the night go on and on, and on