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## **Arcade Fire** "Dear Slim"

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Dear Slim.

My favorite icon put the bong and the knife down I'm sick of the songs about strapping your mom and your ex-wife down To a nuclear bomb and dropping them on Saddam Killing all the muses you use in almost all of your songs

Except those songs about Slim the Hip-Hoppian God They make it seem you don't respect rappers like **Biggie and Pac** 

Who if it weren't for them you be out of a job Or flipping burgers with Ronald McDonald and not leading your mob

But the Blob's offensive, run and jumping the fences And burying politicians in pop culture trenches Dude, have some humility, oops responsibility, oops

accountability, oops I said humility

Your face has covered worse magazines

than the artists and politicians you've mocked on every CD release

Ooh, how cool; you've proved you lack tact in your songs

In fact, you've grown up to act just like your mom

If y'all represent the truth and America's youth Act like a leader we could actually use You're a celebrity now, oh no, look what you did You're America's role model but deny that you're it

Come on, come on, let's stand together as one

I ain't yelling about selling my soul, going to hell and back for platinum Or gold to show the world is a gullible globe Although, I can't respect the coalition of politicians signing petitions Fearing Eminem's mission to bitch When it's his right to taunt if he wants to fight Even if you're frightened of what he might want to write You're sworn to defend men, who offend men Just because you believe in the first amendment Even if it's illogical angst and vengeance So defend your senses, but cleanse your dirty lenses

The law's written to both conservatives and leftists It says Vanilla Ice Preservatives can be sexist

If y'all represent the truth and America's youth Act like the leaders we could actually use You're politicians now, oh no, look what you did You're America's role models but deny art from our kids

Come on, come on, let's stand together as one

Censoring, the denial of actual words or factual things declared obscene But molesting archdiocese, disease, dead people in the streets from shooting sprees, epidemics Paramedics clearing debris here and overseas aren't banned from TV But yell shit, goddamn, or fuck hear three individual bleeps A word's a word, let it be heard and learned It's not the individual words but the order that hurts Come on, come on, let's stand together as one Come on, come on, stop threatening to censor our thoughts And you'll get the response you want from now on Come on, come on

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