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Emmylou Harris "Racing in the Streets"

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(Bruce Springsteen)

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I got a '69 Chevy with a 396 Fuelie heads And a Hurst on the floor She's waiting tonight down in the parking lot Outside the 7-11 store.

Me and my partner Sonny built her straight out of scratch And he rides with me from town to town We only run for the money got no strings attached We shut 'em up and then we shut 'em down.

Tonight, tonight the strip's just right I'm gonna blow 'em off in my first heat Summer's here and the time is right For racing in the street.

We take all the action we can meet And we cover all the northeast states When the strip shuts down we run 'em in the street From the fire roads to the interstate.

Now some guys they just give up living And start dying little by little piece by piece Some guys come home from work And wash up and go racing in the street.

Tonight, tonight the strip's just right I'm gonna blow 'em all out of their seats Calling out around the world We're going racing in the street.

--- Instrumental ---

He met her on the strip three years ago In a Camaro with this dude from LA He blew that Camaro off his back And he drove that little girl away.

But now there's wrinkles around his baby's eyes

And she cries herself to sleep at night When he comes home the house is dark She says baby did you make it alright?

She sits on the porch of her daddy's house But all her pretty dreams are torn She stares out alone into the night with the eyes Of one who hates for just being born.

For all the shut-down strangers and hot rod angels Rumbling through this promised land Tonight my baby and me we're gonna ride to the sea And wash these sins off our hands.

Tonight, tonight the highway's bright Out of our way mister, you best keep 'Cause summer's here and the time is right For racing in the street...

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