

The Nightwatchman "Union Song"

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Here we go

For the fired auto workers who were twisted, tricked
and robbed
To the peasant in Guatemala in a sweatshop got your
job
And she can't feed her family on the pennies that she
makes
Meanwhile the crime rate's rising up and down the
Great Lake states

Like vegetables left in the field, the signatures smell
rotten
On the contracts and the deeds that push the race
down to the bottom
As they load the rubber bullets, as they fire another
round
I'm heading into the tear gas, dig in, man, hold your
ground

For Joe Hill and Caesar Chavez who fought in their own
time
For our brothers and our sisters up and down that
picket line
For the unnamed and unnumbered who struggle brave
and long
For the union men and women standing up and
standing strong

That's right, Si nos quedemos, juntos vamos a ganar?
Si
Yeah, hit 'em where it hurts and bite the hand that
feeds
You might get one to three or probation and a fine
But I know where I'm gonna be, I'm gonna be right on
that front line

For Joe Hill and Caesar Chavez who fought in their own
time
For our brothers and our sisters up and down that
picket line
For the unnamed and unnumbered who struggle brave

and long
For the union men and women standing up and
standing strong

That's what I'm talkin' about

Now dirty scabs will cross the line while others stand
aside and look
But ain't nobody never got nothin' that didn't raise their
voice and push
Like the steel worker in Ohio, the miner in West Virginia
The teacher in Chicago, janitor in Mississippi
From the sweatshops of L.A. to the fields of Mission
Flats
There's a thundercloud exploding and I'm free at last

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