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# EXT. NEIGHBORHOOD STREET / INT. SQUAD CAR - NIGHT

Quiet, suburban, just outside the busy city. RHAMES, 40s, and LIN, 20s, sit under a moonlit sky, eat donuts.

RHAMES

So the Gacy wannabe takes another two to the chest, finally drops. I call it in, look up, and poof. He's gone.

LIN

Spooky.

RHAMES

Had a fun time explaining that one back at the precinct. Work the same beat long enough you're bound to run into something you can't explain.

LIN

If the boredom doesn't kill me first--

WHAM!

An AMBULANCE plows into a stop sign, flies down the street.

## EXT. ROAD / INT. AMBULANCE - NIGHT

The squad car's siren wails, lights flashing as it drives up behind the ambulance. The unseen driver slows, pulling over.

CAINE, 30s, a terrified paramedic, grips the wheel, stares straight ahead. Tries to ignore a disturbing SLURPING noise. Rhames shines a light over him. Caine jumps.

RHAMES

You totaled the stop sign back there. Been drinking tonight, guy?

<u>Lin</u> cautiously moves to the passenger side. Caine rolls the window down, forces a smile. Loudly talks over the SLURPING.

CAINE

No, Officer. Just tired.

The slurping grows louder. Orgasmic.

RHAMES

What was that?

CAINE

(shouting)
BAD TRANSMISSION!

RHAMES

Step out of the vehicle.

BURPING. Caine whimpers.

CAINE

I can't.

Lin sees movement in the passenger side, draws her firearm.

T.TN

Passenger, hands out the window! Now!

A man in a white tailored suit rises dramatically. Pitbull?!

Nah. This is MARQUIS. Bloodshot eyes... Razor sharp fangs... Sucking a blood bag dry... Yeah, he's a bonafide <u>vampire</u>.

He drops the blood bag, hisses at Lin, who recoils in shock.

The ambulance's back doors fly open and two VAMPIRES -- one a PLUCKY PONY-TAILED PARAMEDIC, the other an OLD GUY with IV tubes hanging from his arm -- leap out.

Marquis throws up peace signs and we note a black ring with <u>Dracula's insignia</u> in its center. Marquis turns the peace signs into middle fingers, grins.

MARQUIS

(to Caine)
Drive!

Caine speeds off. Plucky tackles Lin to the ground.

RHAMES

Tin!

Rhames races to her aid, but here comes Old Guy.

RHAMES (cont'd) Stop! Stop or I'll shoot!

Old Guy growls, jaws snapping like a rabid dog. Rhames shoots him point-blank. Old Guy no sells it, grabs Rhames by the neck, lifting her with one hand. Somebody's been working out!

## WITH LIN

reaching for her firearm, but it's just out of reach...

Plucky bites the button off Lin's shirt collar, exposing her neck. Opens wide to take a bite, when --

BANG! Plucky's shot in the head.

She slumps over, body turning to dust, showering Lin, who coughs. Nothing left behind of Plucky but her clothes.

A 1970 Dodge Charger drifts to a stop and out steps the gunslinging ALICE -- flawless crimson suit, black tie -- and SISTER HAZEL, unarmed, but still dangerous in full nun getup.

Alice, early 30s, is the stoic professional. Sister Hazel is a 42-ish, cool stepmom type who gives a crap about your feelings. Hazel checks on Lin, discreetly grabs her firearm.

HAZEL

It's alright. We're here to help.

Without missing a beat, Alice shoots Old Guy in the heart, ending him. Rhames, still in disbelief, scrambles for her gun. Alice steps on it, levels her own at Rhames.

ALICE

Were you bitten?

RHAMES

What?

ALICE

Guy in the white suit. He bite you?

RHAMES

No.

ALICE

Good.

(to Hazel)

HAZEL

She's clean.

LIN

The hell is going on?!

Alice takes Rhames' gun, shoots out the squad car's tires.

RHAMES

Hey!

Alice empties the clip, tosses Rhames' gun aside.

ALICE

Officer...

(reading name)
Rhames? Forget what you saw here.

Alice climbs back into the Charger.

HAZEL

Have a blessed night!

Hazel gets in, dumping Lin's firearm out the window, and just as suddenly as the pair arrived, they're gone. Rhames and Lin exchange shocked looks, move to the squad car.

RHAMES

That's it. I'm switching to day shift.

#### INT. AMBULANCE - NIGHT

Marquis dances to a pop song. Caine upset, nervously drives.

MARQUIS

Live a little, my Renfield.

CAINE

You killed them.

Marquis bursts into laughter.

MARQUIS

I've killed lots of people.

This info surprisingly does little to reassure Caine ...

CAINE

(freaking out)
I'm a good man. I pay my taxes on
time, pick up my dog's poop, drive the
speed limit! Usually...

Marquis puts an arm around him.

MARQUIS

Chillax, my Renfield.

Caine takes deep breaths.

MARQUIS (cont'd)

Better?

Caine nods.

CAINE

It's Caine by the way. My name's...

Marquis glares at him.

CAINE (cont'd)

But Renfield has a nice ring to it.

MARQUIS

Hey! Eyes on the road!

CAINE

Whoa!

Caine swerves past an incoming car.

MARQUIS

Jeez, dude. I want to get there <u>alive</u>.

# EXT. ROAD / INT. CHARGER - NIGHT

The ambulance speeds towards the busy city streets. Alice accelerates, racing after to catch up. Sister Hazel clutches her cross necklace and seatbelt, prays in the passenger seat.

HAZEL

Alice, slow down. We'll get him.

ALICE

I'm taking Marquis out before he hits the city. That'll keep civilian casualties to a minimum.

HAZEL

You sound like your father.

ALICE

You say that like it's a bad thing.

HAZEL

(robotic voice)

Minimize civilian casualties. Coffee, black. No sugar. Ha. Ha. Ha.

ALICE

He does not sound like that.

HAZEL

You're right. He never laughs. Look, right now Marquis is in panic mode with a hostage. We play this right, the only casualty will be him.

Taking Hazel's advice, Alice slows down, keeps tailing the ambulance at a safer speed and distance.

# INT. AMBULANCE - NIGHT

A rap song blasts from the speakers. Marquis knows all the words, but he's off-beat. He punches Caine's shoulder and Caine sobs, raps along. Carpool Karaoke: Hostage Edition.

MARQUIS

Hey!

CAINE

What?

MARQUIS

You can't say that word.

# EXT. CITY STREETS - NIGHT

The ambulance zips right past a stop sign.

<u>INSIDE</u> Marquis slaps the dashboard, really hamming it up.

Caine slams on the brakes. Marquis looks at him, annoyed.

The Charger waits at the end of the street.

MARQUIS

Drive!

CAINE

But --

Marquis stomps on Caine's foot, hits the gas.

CRRRRAASSSH! The ambulance spears into the Charger, rams it into a parked car.

Marquis utters a girlish scream as he flies through the windshield, lands in a heap on the sidewalk.

Alice and Sister Hazel recoil. Alice unfastens her seatbelt.

ALICE

You okay?

Hazel, not okay, shards of glass sticking out of her chest, lies motionless beside her. And for the first time, we see Alice's poker face waver. *Is Hazel-- No!* Hazel grabs Alice's hand, life suddenly flooding back into her.

HAZEL

(weakly)
I'll be right behind you. Go get him.

Alice, snapping back into monster assassin mode, hops out of the Charger, gun drawn. Hazel, blood seeping through her fingers, prays and grips the shard--

HAZEL (cont'd)
Hear my cry, O Lord... Listen to my

prayer... From the ends of the earth I call to you...

She slowly pulls the shard out of her chest.

HAZEL (cont'd)
I call as my heart grows faint... Lead
me to the rock that is higher than I.

Hand trembling, she keeps pulling and praying--

HAZEL (cont'd)

For you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the foe...

Hazel finishes the prayer, removes the last of the shard.

HAZEL (cont'd)
I long to dwell in your tent forever and take refuge in the shelter of your wings. Amen.

The wound slowly HEALS.

## WITH CAINE

groaning, massaging his aching neck. He scans the sidewalk for Marquis. No sign of him... Caine shudders, the fear returning. He tries the ignition. It sputters. Flatlines.

And there's Marquis, yanking Caine's door off its hinges.

CAINE

No! Please!

Marquis pulls him out of the ambulance, drags him towards a parking garage. He spots Alice, uses Caine as a human shield.

ALICE It's over. Let him go, Marquis.

MARQUIS

Gotta fly!

Marquis throws his head back, lets out an ear-piercing, glass shattering screech. Alice holds her ears.

He LEAPS up to the second level of the car garage, Caine screaming, dangling from his grasp like Fay Wray.

Alice takes aim, but he's too far away.

Marquis climbs up and over the railing with Caine.

## INT. / EXT. PARKING GARAGE - NIGHT

Alice's footsteps echo in the dark. She breaks a glow stick, notes the <u>bloody handprint</u> on the glass of the unmanned booth. Heads for the stairwell door leading to the elevator.

Two dozen black suited VAMPIRES flood through the door, surround Alice.

The GREEN-HAIRED LEADER exits the elevator, hisses like a cat. Alice does a double take.

Green-Haired Vampire leads the charge.

Alice shoots him between the eyes, dusts him.

The Other Vampires attack.

Alice twirls another handgun, fires. Her movements are precise, machine-like. DODGING STRIKES/UNLEASHING A BARRAGE OF HER OWN/RELOADING/SQUEEZING THE TRIGGERS.

When the dust settles, Alice is the last one standing. She brushes dust of her shoulders, presses the elevator button.

The doors open, but-- Wait. What was-- Alice uses her last glow stick, revealing --

The MISSING GUARD (huge, fangs extended, deceptively fast) lunging out. He takes Alice down before she can fire.

The Guard bashes her wrist, forces her to drop the guns.

He salivates, tongue flicking over his sharp fangs.

A spine-chilling, banshee-esque shriek gives the Guard pause.

Alice springs into action, busts his nose with a vicious headbutt. The Guard staggers back.

Sister Hazel -- fangs, eyes bloodshot -- stands in-between Alice and the Guard.

HAZEL

I got this. Go.

Alice grabs her guns, races into the elevator. Hazel and the Guard circle one another, roar. The vampires rush into battle, trade bone-crushing blows.

# EXT. PARKING GARAGE / ROOF - NIGHT

Marquis drags Caine towards a small rental car.

CAINE
Please, just let me go! I won't tell
anybody! I swear on my mother --

MARQUIS

-- Whoa. Who swears on their mother? Just shut up and get in the Escalade!

CAINE

You... mean that rental car?

MAROUIS

Whatever! Just get in and --

Alice shoots the tires out. Marquis utters an annoyed growl, backs towards the roof's edge with Caine.

MARQUIS (cont'd)

That's close enough!

CAINE

I don't want to die!

ALICE

You're not going to.

MARQUIS

Don't make promises you can't keep. I want a private jet or a Tesla full of freaky, type O bitches now!

ALICE

Let him go, Marquis. Last chance.

MARQUIS

Okay. You win. Psych!

He throws Caine off the roof. Caine yelps, grabs the ledge.

Alice opens fire. Marquis dodges the bullets with the finesse of a running back, dropkicks her into the side of the rental car. Sends Alice and her guns flying.

She evades Marquis's strikes and he punches out the glass, leaves fist sized dents the car.

Alice ducks a kick, lands one of her own.

Marquis sweeps her, goes for a double stomp.

Alice rolls out of the way at the last moment.

Marquis <u>levels the concrete</u> under his feet, <u>kicks a slab</u> at Alice, who dives out of the way.

They grapple. Counter after counter. Evenly matched.

Alice takes him down with leg lock, twisting him like a pretzel. Marquis growls, swipes at her. They roll around, legs still locked, separate.

Marquis catches Alice, suplexing her into the windshield of the car. Ouch.

She rolls to the ground in pain. Next to a gun.

Alice fires. CLICK. She checks her pockets for a fresh clip. Empty. But there's one. Half way across the garage... (>\_<)

Marquis smirks, straining to <u>lift the rental car</u>...

Too injured to walk, Alice crawls towards the clip...

Marquis hoists the car over his head...

Alice, nerves of steel, grabs the clip, jams it in.

MARQUIS (cont'd)

Catch!

Alice  $\underline{\text{riddles Marquis with bullets}}$  right before he can throw the car. He panics, tossing the car directly up. It comes CRASHING back down, CRUSHES him.

MARQUIS (cont'd)
Oh... Shit...

Alice runs to Caine, but he loses his grip, falls!

Sister Hazel dives over the side. Grabs Caine, punches a fist through the building, stops their descent. Climbs back up.

Marquis PUSHES himself out from underneath the rental car. His bones SNAP back into place, begin to HEAL.

Alice presses a gun to his heart.

ALICE

Where's Dracula?

MARQUIS

He's everywhere!

Alice pistol whips him. Marquis licks his own blood, hisses.

ALICE

Let's try this again. What were you doing so far from the city?

MARQUIS

Bite. Me. Bitch.

ALICE

Tell your master I'm coming for him.

MARQUIS

You wouldn't be the first to try.

Alice shoots Marquis dead.

Alice pockets his ring, walks over to Caine, who's screaming. Hazel -- vamp face gradually returning to normal -- tries to console him. Hazel retracts her fangs, closes her eyes. When she opens them they're normal again.

Everything's gonna be alright.

CAINE

Y-You're a --

HAZEL

Nun, yes.

Caine takes a moment to process that.

CAINE

Who?

HAZEL

Sister Hazel. A Sister of Mercy.

ALICE

Alice. Van Helsing.

CAINE

Vampires are --

ALICE

-- Real. So are a lot of other things, but I'd keep that to myself if I were you. Marquis was one of Dracula's knights. Word gets around you were anywhere near him when he bit it...

(to Hazel)
We better go before the cops show up.
(to Caine)

You know the way to the hospital, right?

Hazel looks at Alice, shakes her head. Turns back to Caine.

HAZEL

(to Caine)

Are you hurt?

CAINE

I don't think so. Light-headed. Ow!

Blood drips from Caine's mouth. He feels his  $\frac{fanq-like\ teeth}{Oh\ no...}$  Hazel and Alice exchange a look. Hazel finds puncture wounds on his neck. Alice trains her gun on him.

CAINE (cont'd)

Don't!

ALICE

Marquis bit you, didn't he? Knights, queens, and kings -- they turn you. (genuinely sad) I'm sorry.

CAINE

Wait! We don't know if --

I'm a good --

BANG! ON ALICE, stone cold, gun barrel smoking.

You didn't have to do that!

ALICE

It was only a matter of time before --

HAZEL -- He turned into a monster, like me?

ALICE

I... didn't say that. You're different. Do you want to have this conversation later or behind bars?

HAZEL

I want you to have some respect. We offer the lost mercy.

Alice picks something up amidst Caine's ashes and clothes.

ALICE

Stop acting like this is some sacred calling. We're pest control.

Hazel holds a hand to Alice cheek.

HAZEL

That's enough. You're not your father.

ALICE

And you're not my mother, so stop acting like it.

Double ouch. Hazel, stung, withdraws her hand. Alice puts her gun away. She's gone too far and she knows it.

ALICE (cont'd)

I didn't mean --

A nondescript church van speeds towards them. NINJA NUNS armed with bows and arrows/samurai swords/daggers/holy hand grenades) file out. Meet the Sisters of Mercy.

HAZEL I need my medication.

Hazel stumbles to the van, gets in. Opens a medicine kit. The Sisters of Mercy watch her, wary. Hazel takes out a blood filled syringe. The only thing keeping her vampiric side at bay... She injects herself, cries in pain.

Alice looks away, heart breaking for Hazel, mad at herself for being so cold. SISTER MARIA pulls her mask down, crosses to Alice. Maria's in her early 20s, mousy, but means well.

ALICE

(to Maria)

About time you got here.

MARIA

My apologies. We were delayed at a Church's Chicken...

ALICE

Uh-huh. Where's Ruth?

MARIA

Back at base.

ALICE

And you are?

MARIA

Sister Maria. I've heard a lot about --

Alice walks off past her.

MARIA (cont'd) -- You and your father... Er, let's

get to work, Sisters!

Maria and the Sisters of Mercy patrol, start cleaning up the ghastly scene. Hiding any evidence of the supernatural.

Alice catches Hazel's eye. Hazel, easy to forgive, pain hidden behind a smile, gives her a small nod.

# INT. ELEVATOR - NIGHT

Alone, Alice allows herself to be human. She angrily slams a fist on the wall. In her palm we see <u>Caine's ID badge</u>.

#### INT. HOTEL - NIGHT

QUICK SHOTS of Alice in a cheap hotel while a wholesome family comedy like The Brady Bunch (muted) plays on a TV.

- Cleaning her guns...
- Assembling and disassembling various handguns and rifles...
- Carving crosses on the tips of bullets...
- Making holy water...
- Practicing martial arts...
- And eating a healthy meal donut with sprinkles...

CLOSE ON a photo of Sister Hazel, smiling, looking exactly the same as now. Holding FIVE-YEAR-OLD ALICE'S hand. She holds another GIRL (ROSE) at her side.

Alice sits on the bed, flips through more pictures.

Photo #2: Alice and Rose, a little older, sitting on the trunk of a muscle car...

Photo #3: ABRAHAM VAN HELSING. 40s, fit. Fierce eyes hiding a profound sadness. Target practicing as the sun rises...

Alice gets to the last picture.

Photo #4: Alice, Rose, and Abraham at a picnic with LUCILLE VAN HELSING. Radiant smile, kind eyes, beautiful sundress.

Alice flips it over. "LOVE YA FOREVER" is written in sharpie on the back.

She smiles sadly, lies back in bed.

# EXT. BEACH - NIGHT

The moon, reflected in oil black water. Until JENNA's bare feet wade through. She's in her 20s, draped in black, and freaking the f out. Jenna stops to catch her breath, looks over her shoulder. Nobody there.

VICTORIA (O.S.) The beach is closed.

Jenna screams. VICTORIA, 20-something, trendy nerd glasses, athletic, lifeguard uniform, offers her a kind smile.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Come on.

**JENNA** 

There's a creepy guy following me. He had these teeth and...

Jenna, shaking like a leaf, realizing how she sounds, stops.

VICTORIA

Are you high?

JENNA

What? No. I mean, yeah, a little bit, but... I know what I saw...

VICTORIA

You're freezing.

Victoria takes off her jacket, puts it around Jenna.

**JENNA** 

Thanks.

Jenna, grateful she's found someone to help, cries. Victoria shushes Jenna as they walk along the beach.

VICTORIA

What's your name?

**JENNA** 

Jenna.

VICTORIA

Are you hungry, Jenna?

Victoria flicks off the glasses, eyes going bloodshot, <u>fangs</u> <u>extending</u> with a CLICK a la *True Blood*.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

I am.

Jenna tries to make a break for it, but can't escape Victoria's vice-like grip. Victoria spins Jenna around. It's almost like a dance... Until Jenna's thrown to the ground.

She sees someone's BLACK BOOTS. Looks up. And shudders.

PRIEST, 30-ish vampire, cross tattoos on his hands, Ozzy Osbourne t-shirt, WHITE RING on his finger, smells Jenna.

PRIEST

That makes two of us.

His fangs <u>extend</u>. Jenna, terrified beyond the capacity of rational thought, crawls towards the water as Victoria and Priest stalk her and shamelessly flirt.

VICTORIA

Thought you were on a diet?

PRIEST

Cheat day.

They gradually cut Jenna off at the pass, draw closer to one another. There's history here. Charged and twisted.

VICTORIA

Does my sister know you're here?

PRIEST

What she doesn't know can't hurt her.

Victoria and Priest are close enough to kiss now.

Don't hurt me... Please... PLEASE!

Just when we think Victoria and Priest are about to lock lips, they pounce, cutting Jenna's screams short.

## LATER

Victoria and Priest, mouths bloody, stargaze. He licks blood off her fingers. They share a passionate, blood filled kiss.

VICTORIA

How was it?

PRIEST

Better than that donkey blood or whatever animal slop your sister's feeding us. I'm ready.

Priest kneels on one knee, removes his ring.

Priest (cont'd) I renounce my pledge to -

Victoria puts a finger to his lip, shushes him.

VICTORIA

Patience, Priest.

Victoria whispers in his ear--

VICTORIA (cont'd)
I need someone on the inside. When the time comes... You'll be rewarded. (all business)

Did you search the graves?

Priest reluctantly slips the ring back on.

PRIEST

Every one. Nothing.

VICTORIA

Look again.

PRIEST

Why? The crown's a myth, babe. If it wasn't someone would've found it by --

Victoria pins Priest to the ground, SNARLS.

VICTORIA

Look. Again.

PRIEST

Y-Yeah. You got it.

Victoria slides a hand down Priest's pants, smiles wickedly.

VICTORIA

Don't you forget it.

She mounts him, forces her tongue down his throat.

Jenna -- face locked in a scream, corpse drained of blood -- lies beside them.

A woman's angelic voice, singing a Transylvanian ballad takes us to--  $\,$ 

## INT. MANSION / MASTER BEDROOM SUITE - NIGHT

A black and gold coffin's open, dead center of the room. We drift past Gothic inspired architecture, vintage furniture, and ancient portraits to the source of the singing--

ISABELLA, 30s, devoted, sympathetic, hovers over an OLD MAN in a wheelchair, brushes his thinning hair. Even now there's no mistaking his air of regality. Believe it or not, he is --

DRACULA

Show me.

Isabella holds a mirror out to him. Vampires here have no reflection of course... Dracula smiles, runs a hand through his hair. An old joke between father and daughter. Isabella kisses him on the cheek. Dracula kisses her hand.

DRACULA (cont'd)
One day you will be Queen of the
Vampires. As <u>she</u> should have been...
But come, Isabella. Now we celebrate.

Isabella throws Dracula's cape around him, wheels him out.

# INT. MANSION / VICTORIA'S ROOM - NIGHT

FRITZ, 20s, scary glasses, reads an ancient book in a long dead language via candlelight. It's only when he puts it down that we see it's a book of poetry.

Victoria, mouth smeared with blood, climbs in the window.

FRITZ

You've returned! I feared the worst.

VICTORIA Shut it, Fritz. Dress!

Fritz, no stranger to this routine, presents a black dress to her, turns his back. Victoria quickly changes.

FRTT7

If the Master finds out you snuck --

VICTORIA

-- He won't if you keep your freakin' mouth shut. Shoes.

FRITZ

Under the bed.

Victoria slips the shoes on.

FRITZ (cont'd)
You're playing with fire, m'lady. Er, if I may say so.

VICTORIA

That's how you know you're alive.

You have a little something...

Fritz gestures all over his face. Victoria wipes the blood from her mouth, applies lipstick. Fritz nervously zips up her dress. She teases her hair.

VICTORIA

How do I look?

Fritz, clearly smitten, gives her a dopey grin.

FRITZ

Perfect as always, m'lady.

Fritz opens the door for her. Victoria kisses him on the cheek, exits. He sighs, follows her.

## INT. MANSION / DINING ROOM - NIGHT

VAMPIRES decked out in black tuxedos and dresses chat at the fabled Round Table. There's blood filled champagne glasses/an assortment of live and roasted critters/and PŪNKIN, a nervous creature with a tiny pumpkin head in a hamster cage.

PUNKIN

W-Who's ready to party? Guys? Guys...

Fritz files in, looking for an absent Victoria.

VAMPIRE KNIGHTS in full, badass suits of armor flank Dracula and Isabella as she wheels him into the room.

A hush falls over the room.

Isabella wheels him to the place of honor, bows. All of the other Vampires and Fritz follow suit.

DRACULA

Rise, my children. Let us feast.

Isabella and the Others take their seats, eat and drink. A few Hungry Guests pull pieces of Punkin's head off. He screams, poops pumpkin seeds.

Isabella feeds Dracula. She notices an empty chair, shoots Fritz an angry look. He shrugs. Dracula catches on.

DRACULA (cont'd) Where is your sister?

ISABELLA

She's...

DRACULA

Fritz!

Fritz nearly spills his drink, snaps to attention.

FRITZ

Yes, Master?

DRACULA

Where is Victoria? VICTORIA!

FRITZ

She must be in the --

Dracula spins his chair around, spilling blood on Isabella's dress. The Vampires murmur. Fritz facepalms. Oh crap.

DRACULA

It's Van Helsing. He's stolen her away from me, as he did Elisabeta! Find her! Bring me the head of --

VICTORIA (O.S.)

Make a wish!

Victoria holds a birthday cake featuring a small figurine of Dracula and a bride standing over a groom, puts it on the table. Fritz looks relieved. Isabella looks furious.

Dracula, delighted, anger abated, tries to blow out the candles, but he's too weak. Victoria does it for him. She claps, motions for the others to join in. They do so.

Isabella gives three slow claps.

Victoria hugs Dracula, winks at a steaming Isabella.

## EXT. MANSION / DECK - NIGHT

Victoria, bathing suit, lounge chair, works on a night tan. Isabella, arms crossed, stands beside her.

VICTORIA

You're blocking the moon light.

**ISABELLA** 

Where were you?

VICTORIA

Out. You should try it sometime.

ISABELLA

I would if anyone could be trusted with Father.

Victoria ignores the dig, applies suntan (moontan?) lotion.

VICTORIA

Sweet, reliable little Izzie. Parties are nice, but when are you going to give Father what he really wants? Van Helsing's head on a platter.

Isabella snorts.

ISABELLA

Are you mad? Need I remind you that should anything happen to Van Helsing the same fate would befall Father.

VICTORIA

Then we'll break the curse that binds them and cut out Van Helsing's heart the same as any other man.

**ISABELLA** 

And what of the factions, dear sister? Does Queen Victoria aim to start a war she's not certain to win? You have a lot to learn.

VICTORIA

Well, it's nice to know I'll have such a modest teacher.

The sisters exchange warm smiles, but their eyes tell another story... Fritz, baseball cap in hand, enters.

VICTORIA (cont'd) What is it now, Small Fry?

ISABELLA

Is Father...

FRITZ

The Master has soiled his coffin again I'm afraid. However, I come bearing other bad news. Marquis is dead.

Isabella drops into the chair next to Victoria, distraught.

VICTORIA

How?

FRITZ

Murdered by the spawn of Van Helsing. Is there anything I can --

**ISABELLA** 

-- That will be all, Fritz.

VICTORIA

There <u>is</u> something.

FRITZ

The Master. Of course.

Fritz sighs, exits.

**ISABELLA** 

The blame lies with me.

VICTORIA

Marquis should've been here.

**ISABELLA** 

-- I sent him out. To find the crown.

Victoria's stunned.

VICTORIA

Why didn't you tell me?

**ISABELLA** 

I didn't want... It could break the curse. Make Father whole again. I didn't want to get his hopes up. A blow like that would destroy him. You mustn't tell him. Swear it!

VICTORIA

Your secret's safe with me, sister. On one condition... We find the crown and make the Van Helsings pay. Together.

The sisters cut their palms with a silver blade, lock hands. Lighting crackles across the sky as if on cue...

# INT. BUNKER / SHOOTING GALLERY - DAY

BULLETS rip through Dracula, classic suave look, and other monsters. If they seem at all familiar, it's because they're based on their original Universal Horror looks.

ABRAHAM VAN HELSING, ruthless, living legend to monster slayers, walking nightmare to monsters, puts a final bullet in Dracula's head. He spins around, finds Alice holding coffee and a bag of doughnuts behind him.

ALICE

I come in peace.

Dracula's picture tears, falls to the floor. He puts the gun on a table, hugs her. Alice winces, still sore from battle.

ABRAHAM

You're hurt.

ALICE

I'm fine. Brought breakfast.

ABRAHAM

My body is a temple, Alice.

(then)

Did you get any jelly donuts?

Alice hands them over. Abraham greedily devours one. We get the sense that these quiet, father-daughter moments are rare and cherished by both. She drops Marquis' ring on the table. Abraham watches it spin, proud of his daughter.

ABRAHAM (cont'd) How's Hazel?

ALICE

Still fighting, but I think she's becoming immune to the synthetic blood. Just wish there was something I could do, you know?

Abraham nods solemnly, finishes off the donut.

**ABRAHAM** 

There is.

#### EXT. BUNKER - DAY

Barbed wire, electric fencing, reinforced steel gates. Multiple signs reading -- NO TRESPASSING! Home sweet home. Alice and Abraham study a map laid over a black '67 GTO.

ABRAHAM

Your mother saw things no one else could. Near the end I ruled it all madness. Until I followed one of her coordinates and found this.

He takes something faded and gold out of his pocket. A piece of a broken CROWN. Alice stares at it in disbelief.

ALICE It's the real deal? ABRAHAM

Authenticated and everything. No one's sure who made it or when, but according to legend, whoever wears it would have untold power. Be able to --

ALICE

-- Command armies. I remember. Okay, so why is it broken?

ABRAHAM

Four mages -- some believe Merlin was among them -- feared the crown's power so much that they attempted to destroy it. Best they could do was split it into four pieces, hide them. That's what Dracula's after.

ALICE

I'll call Sister Ruth.

**ABRAHAM** 

No. This isn't her fight.

Abraham puts the crown piece back in his pocket.

ALICE This is huge. I'll need backup.

Abraham folds the map, tucks it in his trenchcoat.

ABRAHAM

I call shotgun.

He coughs up blood into a handkerchief.

ALICE

Dad, you can't --

**ABRAHAM** 

I'm fine. Cough's not going to kill me. Cursed to die alongside my greatest enemy, remember?

ALICE

Then let's break the curse.

**ABRAHAM** 

ALICE

I'd love to, but it's our only leverage. Dracula is a stain on this world. Everywhere he goes death and destruction follow!

The curse is tearing you apart from the inside out. Dad, it's killing you! It's not worth it!

Abraham opens the trunk, revealing an array of weapons.

ABRAHAM

Every day he lives is another day he's infecting innocents with his poison.

He slips bottles of holy water into his trenchcoat.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)
I've lived, loved, and lost more than
you could ever know. I'm tired, Alice.
It's time to end this.

He gets something out of the trunk, shuts it. Turns to Alice, still upset, slings a SAWED-OFF SHOTGUN over his shoulder.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Shotgun.

# INT. BREWERY - NIGHT

VAMPIRE WORKERS shoot the breeze, burn the midnight oil at a non-OSHA compliant beer blood plant. They watch --

MARCELINE, 50-ish, resilient, '80s hair, Elvira t-shirt, punch a Worker across the room. She's bleeding from the neck.

OTHER WORKERS pile on, hold her down. A DRUNK VAMPIRE, toothless save for his vampire fangs, staggers over with a bottle of blood. He hiccups. He actually freaking hiccups.

DRUNK VAMPIRE
Looky here, Marcy. You're gonna drink
this whether you like it or --

BLAM! The bottle  $\underline{\text{shatters}}$  in his hand. Another shot  $\underline{\text{blows his}}$   $\underline{\text{head off}}$ . A third  $\underline{\text{blasts}}$  a VAMPIRE over a conveyor belt.

# ALICE AND ABRAHAM

handguns and a shotgun respectively, gun down Vampire after Vampire. The LAST VAMPIRE tries to flee before Abraham shoots him over a railing into a vat of blood.

MARCELINE

May have to discontinue that.

Abraham notices Marceline's WHITE RING with a peace sign in the center, puts the shotgun to her head.

MARCELINE (cont'd) Watch where you're pointing that thing. I've done no wrong.

**ABRAHAM** 

You will.

ALICE

Dad...

ABRAHAM

Where is your maker, Dracula?

MARCELINE

Buried some place deep hopefully.

ALICE

What are you doing here?

MARCELINE

Came to shut this place down, but they jumped me. My group doesn't feed on humans. We're pacifists. Technically.

ABRAHAM

Lies. You're searching for the crown.

MARCELINE

What crown? I'm telling you the --

Abraham cracks Marceline in the mouth with the shotgun, burns her with a cross. She screams, <a href="mailto:smoke rising">smoke rising</a> from her skin.

ALICE

Dad! Dad, stop!

**ABRAHAM** 

MARCELINE

Where's the crown? Where's

Dracula?!

Get off me, you psycho!

Alice pulls Abraham off her. Marceline glares at him.

ABRAHAM

ALICE

She's a monster!

She's telling the truth!

ABRAHAM

Fine, but the blood she spills will be on your hands! Let's go. There may be more helpful <u>informants</u> out there.

He moves to the door. Alice does not. He stops. Now what?

ALICE

She's lost a lot of blood. We... We can't just leave her like this.

ABRAHAM

Are you suggesting we donate a pint?

ALICE

I'm taking her some place safe.

He looks at Alice. Can't believe what he's hearing.

ABRAHAM

This is war. Kill or be killed. You used to understand that.

ALICE

That was before I could tell you apart from the things we hunted.

It's hard to tell who's hurt more by those words. Father and daughter stare one another down a beat, neither willing to give an inch. Abraham throws silver handcuffs to Marceline.

ABRAHAM

Put them on.

MARCELINE

Not really my thing, but you do you.

Abraham cocks the shotgun. Marceline reluctantly complies. He heads for the door, stopping to tell Alice--

ABRAHAM

Call every half hour. You know where to find me. Be there by daybreak or I'm leaving without you.

He exits, hurt, rage boiling under the surface. Alice watches him go, turns back to Marceline, conflicted.

# EXT. CITY STREETS - NIGHT

The GTO races ahead, rain smacking the windshield.

## INT. GTO - NIGHT

Alice, behind the wheel, focused on the road. Marceline, still handcuffed, scarf tied around her neck, looks at her. It's a tension filled drive. Each carefully gauges the other.

ALICE

How long've you been...

MARCELINE

A vampire? Remember when MTV only played music videos? Longer than that.

Alice whistles.

MARCELINE (cont'd)

Drac don't crack. How long have you been an assassin?

Alice looks at her.

ALICE

Too long.

MARCELINE

I used to be everything your father thinks I am and more. One night I broke into a home, but there was only a kid around. Didn't feed, but just the thought... Haven't had a drop of human blood since. This is me.

Alice pulls over, gets a key to unlock the cuffs, but Marceline breaks them. She could have at any time...

VAMPIRES besiege the GTO, ready to attack on Marceline's command. She motions for them to stand by.

ALICE

Who are you?

MARCELINE

Marceline. Former heir to Count Dracula. We had a falling out.

Marceline nods to her group. MEN/WOMEN/CHILDREN/ELDERLY.

MARCELINE (cont'd)
We just want to live in peace, but
don't get it twisted. If you, your
father, or anyone else comes for us,
we will defend ourselves to the last.

Alice nods.

# EXT. REST STOP - NIGHT

Marceline exits the car, motions for the Vampires to let Alice pass. They clear the way. Alice gets the hell out of dodge, leaving Marceline and her Group on the rainy sidewalk.

MARCELINE

One down.

Marceline reaches into her jacket, takes out a crown piece.

MARCELINE (cont'd)

Three to go.

She puts it away, leads the Group into the shadows.

# INT. ABRAHAM'S MOTEL ROOM / BATHROOM - NIGHT

Abraham's coughing up blood into the sink. He washes his face, gazes at his haggard reflection. Turns the water down, listens. Someone's in the room.

# A MAID

late 30s, pretty, sad eyes, feather duster in hand, hovers over a duffel bag. Curiosity piqued, she starts to unzip it. Abraham catches her wrist. She drops the duster, startled.

ABRAHAM

I asked not to be disturbed.

THE MAID

My bad. There wasn't a sign or a sock on the door, so...

The Maid smirks. Abraham holds on to her, dead serious.

**ABRAHAM** 

There  $\underline{was}$  a sign on the door because I placed it there.

The Maid maintains her smile, but we can tell she's getting nervous. He's scaring her and he knows it.

THE MAID

It's been a long day. I must've overlooked it. I'll see that you're not disturbed, Mister...?

ABRAHAM

Sloan.

He lets her go. The Maid hurries to the door.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Your duster.

The Maid grabs it up, races out the door, shuts it behind her. He unzips the duffel bag, makes sure nothing's missing.

## INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

The Maid, texting someone: "He's here."

## INT. ABRAHAM'S MOTEL ROOM - NIGHT

The sound of water running from the sink and old school country music blasting from the speakers of a phone.

Someone kicks the door in.

VAMPIRES burst into the room, fangs bared, ready to  $tear\ this\ mutha--\ Huh?$  Abraham's gone...

They pull the Maid inside. She hides in a corner.

A CORPORATE VAMPIRE throws the bathroom door open, gets a bullet for his trouble.

Abraham, dual wielding a shotgun and holy water filled SUPER SOAKER, blasts the vampires away. Turns to the Maid.

THE MAID

Don't shoot!

ABRAHAM

You set me up!

THE MAID

They said they'd turn me!

Abraham kicks vamp dust at his feet.

ABRAHAM

Is this what you want to be?!

THE MAID

I have cancer! They said they could cure me. I'm sorry.

**ABRAHAM** 

Me too...

(then)

How many are out there?

THE MAID

Half a dozen.

**ABRAHAM** 

More will be on the way.

Abraham hands her a cross shaped dagger.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Stay close. Do as I say, you might survive. Try anything...

The Maid nods, gets the message.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Let's go.

#### INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

Abraham,  $\underline{\text{gunning down}}$  VAMPIRES and running. The Maid  $\underline{\text{stabs a}}$   $\underline{\text{Vampire in the eye}}$ , losing the dagger, catches up to Abraham.

In the background, a DANCING CONCIERGE carrying an IMPATIENT WOMAN'S bags exits the elevator. He takes in the carnage, drops the bags, dives back in.

Abraham and The Maid take the other elevator. The doors close right before an EMACIATED VAMPIRE can get to them.

## INT. ELEVATOR - NIGHT

The Maid slides down the wall, hyperventilates.

**ABRAHAM** 

Hey. Deep breaths. We're going to get out of here. Say it.

The Maid looks at Abraham, repeats it--

THE MAID

We're getting out of here. We're getting out here. We're getting here.

The elevator comes to an abrupt stop. The Maid screams. Abraham shushes her. They listen, neither moving a muscle.

A FIST <u>punches</u> through the door, pries the doors open. The Emaciated Vampire, yellow stained teeth, grins.

Abraham points the shotgun at his face, pulls the trigger.

CLICK. Oh boy.

Abraham shields the Maid. BANG! The Emaciated Vampire turns into dust, revealing Alice, holding a gun in the hallway.

ALICE

Dad... Something you want to tell me?

#### EXT. MOTEL - NIGHT

Alice, Abraham, and the Maid, running to the GTO.

ALICE

Tires are slashed.

THE MAID

What do we do?

ABRAHAM

Back inside! We'll barricade ourselves in, hold up until sunrise.

BLINDING HEADLIGHTS -- from two HEARSES with tilted windows -- speed towards them. Alice tackles the Maid out of the way, gets clipped by a Hearse. Lands in a heap.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Alice!

Abraham kneels beside Alice. She sits up. A small army of VAMPIRES emerge from the Hearses. Fritz opens a door for Victoria. She cups the Maid's chin.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)

Let her go!

Alice trains her gun on Victoria.

VICTORIA

I don't know. I kind of like our odds. Fine. I'll play. You win, you walk away. I win, you don't.

Abraham steps forward. Victoria raises a hand.

VICTORIA (cont'd)
Not you. <u>Her</u>. Drop the gun, little girl. Unless you're a-scared to.

Alice looks to Abraham, puts her gun down. The Maid looks up at Victoria, cries. Victoria shushes her.

VICTORIA (cont'd)
You did exactly as you were told.
Everything's going to be alright.

The Maid calms down a bit.

VICTORIA (cont'd) (Romanian; subtitled)
The things they believe.

Victoria SNAPS the Maid's neck, nonchalantly tosses her body aside. Vampires hold Abraham back. Alice lunges for the gun.

Victoria sweeps the gun away, kicks Alice in the face.

Alice staggers backwards, gets to her feet.

The Vampires clap. Victoria bows. She ducks an enraged Alice's strikes, flips her over.

Alice lands on her feet, trips Victoria up, elbows her in the face. Vampires move in. Victoria raises a hand.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Stav!

The Vampires hang back. Victoria flings dirt in Alice's eyes, smashes the back of Alice's head into the ground.

Alice, bleeding from the head, slips a cross into her palm, presses it against Victoria's forehead. It <u>burns</u> into her flesh. She shrieks, <u>flies backwards</u>.

Victoria SNARLS, enraged, the cross mark sssmokin'!

VICTORIA (cont'd) Kill her. Then everyone else inside.

ABRAHAM

Stop! I have it. A piece of the crown.

The Vampires look to Victoria, awaiting orders.

VICTORIA

Why didn't you say so?

Dad... Don't.

Abraham hands over the map and crown.

VICTORIA

We're done here. Put the old man in the trunk. Kill her. Slowly.

ABRAHAM

No!

Abraham draws a blade, slashes at Victoria. Vampires overpower him, load him into the trunk.

Others beat up Alice, bombarding her with savage blows. She holds her own, ducking, dodging, striking. But it's no use.

Alice tries to stand, but the Vampires strike her down. They throw her into the windshield of the GTO. Victoria slaps her.

Barely conscious/bruised/bloody/suit torn -- Alice takes a wide swing. Victoria grabs her by the hair.

Vampires hiss, gaze at the rising sun.

VICTORIA

Fall back!

Fritz holds sunglasses and a cloak.

FRITZ

M'lady!

VICTORIA

In a minute.

She throws Alice to the ground.

VICTORIA (cont'd) Big, bad Van Helsing. How terrifying.

Victoria shoves Alice's face in the dirt. Puts on the sunglasses and cloak, gets in the Hearse along with Fritz. Watches in amusement as Alice crawls after them.

ALICE

Dad...

The Hearses speeds away into the night. Alice drags herself to a gun. She grips it, takes aim. Then the world goes  ${\tt BLACK}$ .

Still in BLACK, dead silence.

A splash of water later and we're in --

## INT. MANSION / TROPHY ROOM - NIGHT

Abraham, shirt off, chained to the wall, face to face with his mortal enemy. Fritz, empty bucket in hand, stands by Isabella and Victoria. Weapons and armor from Dracula's vanquished enemies are prominently displayed in glass cases.

DRACULA

Leave us.

ISABELLA Father, with all due --

DRACULA

Leave us I said!

The trio exit. Dracula rolls his wheelchair closer to Abraham, notes his many scars.

DRACULA (cont'd)
The years have not been kind to you,
Professor.

**ABRAHAM** 

Speak for yourself.

DRACULA

Ah, yes. The unfortunate result of Harker's curse. To think, a man of science and faith such as yourself stooping to such extremes.

ABRAHAM

If I thought it'd mean ridding the world of you and your kind, I'd do it again in a heartbeat.

DRACULA
Such a pity. You would have made a good knight. Of that I have no doubt.

Dracula unfolds the map of coordinates.

DRACULA (cont'd)

It is incomplete.

ABRAHAM

Is it?

Dracula bares his fangs, gets in Abraham's face.

DRACULA

Have it your way, Professor. Perhaps when you are piecing your daughter together like a jigsaw puzzle you will feel more forthcoming.

ABRAHAM

Stay away from her!

Dracula wheels towards the door.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)
You touch her I'll kill you! I'll kill
you all! You hear me?! DRACULA!

Dracula exits, smiling ear to ear.

# INT. MANSION / GRAND HALL - NIGHT

Victoria, Isabella, and Fritz nervously stand at attention. Dracula stares out the window, cradling the crown piece. Victoria nudges Isabelle, who nudges Fritz.

FRITZ

Master, we're were going to tell --

Dracula raises a hand to silence him, listens to howling wolves. He sighs, contentedly.

DRACULA

The children of the night... What music they make.

He pounds a fist on the arm of his wheelchair.

DRACULA (cont'd)
Going after Van Helsing without my
consent -- It borders on insubordination!

(gently) Nevertheless, because of your actions I am on the cusp of achieving the impossible. No longer will there be anarchic factions mindlessly roaming about. Now a single army of every beast, be they living or undead, will be at my command!

FRITZ

Might I suggest some Hennessy, Master?

Victoria and Isabella hit Fritz's shoulders.

DRACULA

Perhaps later. We must find the other pieces and eliminate all who would oppose us. I will not risk your lives, daughters. Even for this. Call them, Fritz. Each and every one.

FRITZ

Everyone, Master?

DRACULA

(enunciating)

EVERYONE!

# INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

A dumbfounded DELIVERY DRIVER, hands pressed to his ears to silence SINISTER WHISPERING. He's shaking his head, staring at JACK and KITTY. 20s, cute couple, deader than dead in bed.

DELIVERY DRIVER

No. I didn't... I couldn't have!

COPS kick the door in, take him down, cuff him. The sinister whispering comes to an abrupt stop...

DELIVERY DRIVER (cont'd) It wasn't me! It was the ghosts!

OUTRAGED OFFICER

Shut it, sicko! I'm placing you under arrest for the murders of Jack Griffin and Katherine Carroll. You have the right to remain silent and so help me if you don't use it!

The Outraged Officer shoves the Delivery Driver towards the door. The Delivery Driver glances back. Could he really have killed-- Hey! Jack and Kitty just raised their heads!

DELIVERY DRIVER

Look!

Jack and Kitty's heads hit the pillows before the Outraged Officer and the Other Cops see them. He punches Delivery Driver in the gut, doubling him over. Pulls him up.

OUTRAGED OFFICER

Let's qo!

DELIVERY DRIVER

They moved! I swear!

The Outraged Officer and the Cops manhandle the Delivery Driver out the door, slam it shut. Moments later, we hear sinister whispering again... Then a woman and man laughing.

Meet HOLLY and KEVIN. <u>Invisible</u> psycho killers for hire. Available for bar mitzvahs. Call ahead.

HOLLY (BRITISH) The look on his face when you locked the door and starting eating burgers!

KEVIN (NOT BRITISH) I know! I barely kept it together.

They laugh, sit on the bed.

HOLLY

So naughty.

KEVIN

You have no idea.

He opens a drawer, fishes out a condom. A phone RINGS.

KEVIN (cont'd)

Figures.

A burner phone appears out of thin air.

HOLLY

(into phone)
The lady of the house speaking. A job, eh? What's it pay?

A TRUCK HORN sounds off.

# EXT. WOODS - NIGHT

The former site of a drive-in movie theater. Weeds and trees cover the weather worn sign. A Chevy Pickup's hidden behind it, rocking as two figures inside wrestle.

## INT. CHEVY PICKUP - NIGHT

DAVID and LONI (20s) go at it. Russellville Red Wolves varsity jacket, handsome, he's the boy girls' parents warned them about. She's a perky, wholesome, half dressed cheerleader. David accidentally hits the horn again.

LONT

Careful! Someone might hear us.

DAVID

Good.

He whispers in her ear, moves down her. She pushes him back.

DAVID (cont'd) Thought you wanted to --(suggestively)

Ohh uh oh oh!

LONI

I do, but... It's getting really late and we both have practice tomorrow. State championship ring a bell?

DAVID

So?

David kisses her shoulders, chews on her bra strap.

LONI

What's gotten into you?

DAVID

You just make me so crazy.

David howls, unzips his fly, makes a ringing noise.

DAVID (cont'd)

It's for you, Loni. Gonna answer it?

Loni laughs, teases going down.

BLAM! BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!

BULLETS SHATTER the glass, pierce through David. He groans in pain, slumps over the wheel, dead. Loni takes cover, screams.

LONI

David!

THE HUNTER, wild hair and beard, wilder eyes, camouflage jacket, trains his rifle on David. He opens the driver's side door, checks David's pulse. Satisfied, he turns to Loni. She unlocks her door, makes a run for it.

#### EXT. WOODS - NIGHT

With Loni, crying, running for her life as The Hunter pursues her. She backs to a tree. The Hunter lowers the rifle to the ground, offers Loni a hand. Whuh da fuh?

Stay away from me!

THE HUNTER

You're safe now. Don't expect you to believe this, but that boy was a werewolf. He's been murdering people all over the county.

LONI

You're insane! Davis wouldn't hurt a fly... It was a real turn off.

Loni -- <u>eyes yellow</u>, hair on her arms <u>rising</u>, manicured nails <u>growing into claws</u> -- GROWLS.

The Hunter goes for the rifle, but -- Too late.

Loni mauls him, tears him apart. She BAYS at the full moon.

Until an admittedly catchy ring tone PLAYS...

Loni dances to the beat. Gets out her phone, reads a text message: "Quick and easy cash. Interested?"

She texts back: "Hell yeah!"

Loni strolls out of the woods.

# EXT. GILLMAN'S GAS - NIGHT

A HOODED STRANGER limps across the desert towards a dimly lit gas station. Only car in sight is a Ford Sedan. The lights shut off right before the Stranger can get to the doors.

### INT. GILLMAN'S GAS - NIGHT

GILLMAN (60s) eats seafood, watches a black and white horror movie on TV. He jumps, startled by the Stranger's reflection in the screen. How long has he been standing there?

STRANGER Pack... of... Camels.

GILLMAN

How'd you get in here?

STRANGER

Pack... of... Camels.

Gillman eyes a gun hidden under the counter, gets the Camels.

GILLMAN Need anything else?

STRANGER

Yes... I... do.

The Stranger flips his hood back, revealing a MUMMIFIED FACE.

Before Gillman can utter a sound, SCARAB BEETLES FLY out from under the Mummy's sleeves, cover Gillman from head to toe.

Only Gillman frightened eyes are left uncovered.

GILLMAN'S POV: THE MUMMY, HANDS CROSSED ON HIS CHEST. SCARABS CRAWL OVER GILLMAN'S EYES. WHO TURNED OUT THE LIGHTS?!

THE BEETLES

FLY back into the Mummy, <u>carrying pieces of Gillman's skin</u>, which <u>wraps around him like bandages</u>.

The Mummy, passing for human now, grabs the pack of cigarettes, limps out the door.

We hang back, revealing Gillman's skeletal corpse and the movie: The Mummy of course. Boris Karloff version.

## EXT. GILLMAN'S GAS - NIGHT

The Mummy takes a drag off the cigarette, walk transitioning from a limp to a normal gait a la Keyser Soze/Verbal Kint.

He's about to cross the street when he sees SPIDERS on a wall forming a message: "Greetings, Mighty Pharaoh. His Royal Count Dracula calls upon you once more."

THE MUMMY I... am... listening.

## INT. SAFE HOUSE - DAY

Small and tidy room with a desk, chair and a cot. Alice, cleaned up, lies in bed, eyes closed. A cloth touches her face. She springs up, puts someone in a chokehold.

ALICE

Where...

MARIA

(choking)
That's classified.

Alice lets her go.

ALTCE

Of course it is. Sister...

MARIA

Maria.

Right. You brought me here?

MARIA

Yes. We were running surveillance on the motel. By the time we arrived...

ALICE

Funny how you always seem to show up after the dust settles.

MARIA

We saved your life.

ALICE And my dad's?

Maria shakes her head, tearing up.

 $\begin{array}{c} & \text{ALICE (cont'd)} \\ \text{Why that motel?} \end{array}$ 

I'm... not permitted to say.

Hazel, wearing sunglasses, walks in.

HAZEL

Give us a minute.

ALICE

Maria. Thanks.

Maria nods, exits in tears.

ALICE (cont'd)

I barely touched her.

HAZEL

She just lost someone close to her.

 $$\operatorname{ALICE}$$  I'm sorry to hear that.

HAZEL

Me too. How's your head, kiddo?

ALICE

Still attached to my shoulders.

Hazel hugs her. Alice winces.

HAZEL

Lie back down.

ALICE

I'm fine.

HAZEL

No you're not. Look at you.

Alice reluctantly sits on the bed.

ALICE

So I'm not a hundred percent, so what? I've operated on less.

HAZEL

I remember chasing you down with a box of Band Aids after you'd scrap your knee. Wanted to be indestructible just like your daddy thinks he is. You are your father's daughter, girl, through and through, but you're still human. Remember that.

ALICE

They have Dad, a piece of the crown, the map. If they find the rest of the pieces before we do...

Alice stands, uneasy. Hazel rights her. SISTER RUTH, 50s, resolute, resting annoyed face, charges in.

SISTER RUTH

Sister Hazel isn't going anywhere.

ALICE

The crown. That's why you were staking out the motel, isn't it? You don't give a damn about my dad or anyone else as long as you --

HAZEL

Alice!

SISTER RUTH

I don't answer to you or your father, only to God. As His right hand I must carry out His will. As for Abraham, I came to him, proposing my full cooperation and resources. He was the one who went in guns blazing behind my back, jeopardizing years of hard work and unfathomable sacrifices for his insatiable quest for vengeance!

HAZEL

Ruth. She needs her rest.

SISTER RUTH

Of course. For what it's worth, I am sorry for what happened to Abraham, child, but he only has himself to blame. You may leave when ready.

Sister Ruth turns to exit.

ALICE

Wait. I... Need your help.

SISTER RUTH

I'm afraid that won't be possible. Our resources are stretched thin as it is.

ALICE

After everything my family's done for--

SISTER RUTH

-- <u>Done</u>? Have you forgotten who cleans up your messes? You Van Helsings have been and always will be walking nukes. Doomed to destroy everyone around you. It was only a matter of time before--

HAZEL

That's enough.

ALICE

Let's qo, Hazel.

Hazel doesn't move.

SISTER RUTH

(to Hazel)

Show her.

Hazel removes her sunglasses, revealing bloodshot eyes.

HAZEL

If I vamp out again...

SISTER RUTH

The effects will be permanent.

Sister Ruth exits. Alice sinks onto the bed, deflated.

#### LATER

Alice, new crimson suit and black tie, packs weapons into a duffel bag. Hazel, sunglasses back on, stands in the door.

HAZEL

No talking you out of this is there?

ALICE

Have you met me?

HAZEL

You can't do this alone.

ALICE

Still have one ace up my sleeve.

HAZET.

She's in no condition to --

ALICE

-- I know, but desperate times.

Alice zips the duffel bag, throws it over her shoulder.

#### INT. SUNNY SIDE PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY - DAY

CLOSE ON a smiling winking sun proudly displayed on the spotless, sterile wall above the SUNNY SIDE logo.

A WOMAN in a straightjacket -- eyes crossed, mouth open -- sits motionless underneath. She's in her late 20s. Eccentric and fiery despite her current demeanor. On her bed lies a detailed drawing of Lucille. An exact copy of the photo Alice has. This is ROSE.

A DOCTOR (50s) shines a light in Rose's eyes as a buff ORDERLY looks on. Rose appears catatonic.

DOCTOR

Lucca, where did you get the crayons?

Rose doesn't respond.

DOCTOR (cont'd)

Ms. Rutherford, please.

Rose remains in a catatonic state. The Doctor sighs, slips a handful of crayons into her coat. An  $\underline{\text{alarm blares}}$ .

ORDERLY

I swear if it's that bastard from Ravenscar again...

DOCTOR

Where does he keep getting those cigarettes?

They exit, shutting and locking the door behind them.

Rose waits a beat, grins, easily escapes from her straightjacket. She fishes a crayon out of the pocket of her white pants, goes back to drawing. The door unlocks.

Rose hides the crayon, but instead of putting on an act, slowly rises. Alice enters.

ALICE

Hey, sis.

Rose regards her silently, angry tears pooling.

ROSE

My sister's dead. The monsters got her. Just like they'll get everyone.

Rose turns her attention back to the drawing.

ALICE

Rose, it's me.

Rose faces her, reacting to the name.

ROSE

No one's called me that since...

We don't have much time. They took Dad. Let's go.

Go? No. The monsters are out there, but in here they can't hurt us. I can't hurt... I can't hurt anybody.

Alice takes her hand.

ALICE

Dad's in trouble. The whole world is.

ROSE

He's right here.

Rose holds a pillow she's drawn a face on, looks at it as if seeing it for the first time.

ROSE (cont'd) What the-- Dad? I swear he was just --

ALICE

-- I can't do this by myself.

Rose throws the pillow at her.

ROSE

Tough! Do I <u>look</u> like I can help anyone?! What about Hazel?

She's in a bad way.

Rose looks at Alice, saddened by the news.

ROSE

Find someone else. Call the cavalry.

ALICE

This is it.

ROSE

Wow. You're fucked.

ALICE

We're Van Helsings. When has that ever stopped us beforé?

Alice spots a drawing of the crown.

ALICE (cont'd) Where did you get this?

Rose points to her head.

ROSE

Drew it. Doesn't matter. It's all broken up now.

How do you know that?

ROSE

Before Mom... passed... she made me sketch it and memorize a bunch of numbers. It was all she talked about.

The Orderly returns, comes in hot.

ORDERLY

Hey! What are you doing in here?

ALICE

I was just looking for --

Rose sweeps the Orderly, locks in a sleeperhold. He's out in under a minute. Alice looks shocked.

ROSE

Well I'm in trouble. Let's go save Dad and the whole damn world.

They exit. Rose returns seconds later.

ROSE (cont'd) Almost forgot my jacket.

ALICE

Leave it. I'll get you a new one.

ROSE

It's like my favorite one.

Alice drags her back out the door.

## EXT. ROAD - DAY

A cherry red '70 Dodge Challenger rockets past us.

## INT. CHALLENGER - DAY

Alice at the wheel. Rose, white leather jacket, cool t-shirt, jeans, leans her head out the window, feeling the wind.

ALICE

Bark and I'm turning this car around.

Rose leans back in, plays with a switchblade. They head into--

## EXT. BOWLING ALLEY - DAY

Alice and Rose exit the Challenger. Inspect a WHITE VAN, find it empty. Rose tries the back door. Locked.

It's a pedo van. Are you sure this is the right place?

Yeah, according to my noggin.

ALICE

No offense, but...

ROSE

I'm not crazy.

ALICE

Do you have a certificate saying that?

Rose shoots Alice a look. Really? Alice peers inside the empty alley. A bowling ball rolls down the lane.

ALICE (cont'd)

Feels like a setup.

Rose motions for Alice to be quiet, eases the door open.

#### INT. BOWLING ALLEY - DAY

They pass an unattended desk, rows of bowling shoes, a still smoking cigarette in an ash tray...

Rose notes the score and a single BOWLING SHOE by the lane.

Someone's been playing...

Rose finds a plate of bacon, warm cup of coffee, and a note on a desk: BACK IN 5!

ROSE This doesn't feel--

ONOMATOPOEIA! The shoe rises, KICKS Rose to the floor.

ALICE

What happened?

ROSE

Shoe just kicked me!

Holly GRABS Alice, THROWS her over the counter.

HOLLY

(to Kevin)
Let's have some fun, love!

Kevin lifts a piece bacon off a plate, consumes it.

KEVIN

Mmm.

ROSE

They're invisible!

### WITH ALICE

getting choked out by an invisible woman.

Yeah, I got that!

Alice blindly throws punches. She misses. Holly bangs her head onto the counter, chuckles.

Time to wrap this one up.

Holly reaches for Alice's gun, lifting it into the air...

Alice grabs a bowling shoe, whaps Holly in the face.

HOLLY (cont'd) Not the face!

#### WITH ROSE

grabbing Kevin's shoe. He twists out of it. Hurls bowling balls at her, laughs. Rose throws the coffee into the air. Kevin screams, form briefly becoming visible.

Hot hot hot! KEVIN

Rose slashes at Kevin with her switchblade, nicking his arm.

Kevin's blood drips, temporarily giving away his position.

KEVIN (cont'd)

Ow!

Kevin flies towards Rose. They slide down the lane.

### ALICE AND HOLLY

wrestle over the gun. Alice points it away from her, fires into the ceiling, knocks it away. Holly shoves her into the counter. Alice opens a drawer, searches for a weapon.

She finds a pen, stabs at Holly, who evades her, laughs.

Holly kicks Alice onto the counter, punches her in the face.

Alice throws a wild kick, connects. Holly falls onto the shoe rack, knocking pairs to the floor.

Alice grabs a nearby ZIPPO LIGHTER, holds it to the fire sprinklers. Holly sweeps Alice off her feet.

THEN...

The SPRINKLERS go off, drenching Alice and Holly...

#### WITH ROSE

getting worked over by Kevin. He whips out a BUTCHER KNIFE. He's so lost in his bloodlust that he fails to notice the water making his TRANSLUCENT FORM <u>visible</u>...

Kevin throws a punch. Rose blocks it. He tries again. Another block. Kevin, face visible now, looks shocked.

KEVIN (cont'd)
Holly, I think they can see us!

### WITH ALICE

getting the better of Holly (also visible) as they battle atop the water soaked counter.

HOLLY I gathered as much!

### WITH ROSE

grabbing a bowling pin, cracking Kevin in the head. He recovers, cuts her hand. Rose grits her teeth, kicks him in the nether regions. He whimpers, holds his crotch.

They dive for the butcher knife. Rose gets to it first, plunges it in Kevin's neck.

He comically flails, hits his head on a bowling ball. Flops around as BLOOD SQUIRTS out of the wound. As Kevin dies, he becomes <u>fully visible</u>. Rose makes a face. It's not just the blood. Kevin's naked... For some reason... YOLO!

HOLLY (cont'd)

Kevin!

Holly turns her back on Alice. Big mistake. Alice kicks her. Holly lands at an awkward angle on her neck, breaking it.

HOLLY (cont'd)
 (struggling to talk)
You were supposed to be alone! This was supposed to be easy.

Alice and Rose -- holding a bowling ball -- hover over her.

ROSE

Wait a sec. Someone hired you to off us? Alice, we're famous!

ALICE

Focus.

HOLLY

There's a quite a hefty price on your head. Pity I won't be able to collect, then again, neither will anyone else.

Holly's labored breathing gives way to psychotic laughter.

ROSE

How much dinero are we talking here? Some of us have student loans. (to bowling ball)

Right, Willa?

HOLLY

Bidding closed at one million.

ALICE

Dracula. Where is he?

HOLLY

Go to hell.

Alice tucks a gun under Holly's chin.

ALICE

Where is he?

HOLLY

Haven't the foggiest. Kevin was always so impulsive. Not me. I leave nothing to chance. It'll all be over soon.

Holly smiles, coughs up blood. Alice looks under the counter, finds BOMBS attached to a TIMER. 10... 9... 8... 7...

ROSE

Lots of gum under there?

ALICE

Run!

Alice makes a break for the door. Rose drops the bowling ball, takes off after her. Holly laughs a la the Predator.

#### EXT. BOWLING ALLEY - DAY

Alice and Rose clear the doors, hit the deck seconds before the bomb EXPLODES. GLASS/DEBRIEF/CHARRED BOWLING PINS rain down around the sisters. Alice stands, dusts her clothes off.

ALICE

You good?

ROSE

(rising)
Think Willa's okay?

ALICE

Doubt it.

Willa the Bowling Ball -- which, believe it or not, isn't the start of the weirdest sentence I've ever written -- lands at Rose's feet. CRACKS open, revealing a piece of the crown.

ROSE

(gasps)

She was pregnant!

That's not how that works.

Alice picks up the crown piece. They head for the Challenger.

ROSE

Where to next? Home?

ALICE

Too risky. I told Hazel we were coming here, then we were jumped?

Alice gets out her phone, smashes it.

Who would set us up?

The white van's back doors fly open and three NAKED PIG MEN, duct tape hanging from their wrists, hop out, squeal. They run down the road. Alice and Rose look stunned.

ROSE

You saw that right?

Alice nods.

ROSE (cont'd)

Just checking.

#### INT. ANGEL'S - NIGHT

A knife and fork destroy a pancake with happy egg eyes and a bacon smile. Alice and Rose sit in a booth in a nice little coffee shop/restaurant. Alice sips coffee. Rose, injured hand duct taped, carefully chews, looks around, paranoid.

ALICE

Could you look less suspicious?

Rose smiles creepily as she chews.

ROSE

How's this?

ALICE

Never mind.

A middle-aged couple, WOMAN in large glasses, BALD MAN in black t-shirt, walk past. Rose discreetly mouths "Satanists."

ALICE (cont'd)

What? How do you know?

ROSE

It's obvious.

They'll show soon enough.

The owner, ANGEL, 60s, graceful, grandmotherly, big smile, crosses to the supposed Satanists, menus in hand.

ANGEL

Welcome to Angel's. Need a menu?

CREEPY COUPLE

(chanting in unison)
Coffee. Dark as night, sweet as sin.

Rose gives Alice an "I Told You So" look. Angel, unnerved, nods, heads back into the kitchen. Rose pours salt over an ice cube, downs it. Oh yeah. That's the stuff...

ALICE

Pancakes that bad?

ROSE

They're actually really good. I might need to go to rehab.

ALICE

For pancakes? That's not a thing.

ROSE

Should be.

(laughing)

Remember when we made the Leaning Tower of Pancakes?

ALICE

Uh-huh. Who knew Mom could swear like that? Figured Dad would be pissed, but he couldn't stop laughing.

ROSE

Every time he'd go anywhere, it was always "Love ya forever." Then Dad would be like ---

(deep dude voice)
"Back at ya."

Alice smiles at the memory.

ROSE (cont'd)

I used to think that was so corny, but every time Dad left Mom knew there was a chance he wouldn't be coming back home to us.

ALICE

I should've come to visit you.

ROSE

I didn't want you to see me like that. Reliving that night over and over in my head. Mom told me to hide, keep drawing, don't make a sound.

Rose is in tears now.

ROSE (cont'd) But I wanted to help, so I grabbed Dad's gun and... If I had listened Mom would be here, we'd still be a family.

And you and Dad wouldn't hate me.

ALICE

I don't hate you. Neither does Dad.

ROSE

So how come you never came to visit?

ALICE

I blamed you. But I was wrong and I don't anymore. You were just a kid.

Rose dries her eyes.

ROSE

I wish things could go back to normal.

ALICE

Since when have we ever been normal?

Alice takes an ice cube, pours salt on it, eats it. The sisters share a smile. CHEERLEADERS file in. Loni enters last. She glances at Alice and Rose, heads to the restroom.

ALICE (cont'd)

Look like they're not gonna show. We should hit the road.

ROSE

I'll go pee.

Rose heads to the bathroom. Alice finishes her coffee. Cheerleaders watch her, pretend to text when she looks back.

## INT. BATHROOM / STALL - NIGHT

Rose, on the toilet, makes a weird face, blows a raspberry. She finds a single square of toilet paper on the roll. *Ugh!* She taps-taps-taps-taps on the stall next to hers.

ROSE

Sorry to bother you, but could you spare a square or two?

GROWLING. It's a boy!

ROSE (cont'd)

Never mind!

Loni's manicured clawed hand punches through the wall.

Rose stabs the hand with a knife, hops into her jeans.

Loni shoulders the stall door, peeks in.

Rose flings a throwing knife at her. Right in the eye.

Loni screams, slams Rose into the mirror.

ROSE (cont'd) Shit! Seven years bad luck!

Loni HOWLS, comes at Rose.

## INT. ANGEL'S - NIGHT

Alice hears the commotion, notes the Cheerleaders staring at her, pretending to text and read menus now.

She rises, hand moving to the guns under her suit coat.

The Cheerleaders TRANSFORM into werewolves, block the path.

Angel SCREAMS.

Then the freaking lights go out...

GROWLING, followed by a series of GUNSHOTS.

We briefly see snippets of the action every time Alice fires.

BANG! #1: A Werewolf Cheerleader crashes dead onto a table.

BANG! #2 and #3: Angel runs into the kitchen as Werewolf Cheerleaders -- shot in mid leap -- drop dead.

BANG! #4: The Creepy Couple, hands joined, praying that--

CREEPY COUPLE

Baal, save us!

-- Before a dead Werewolf Cheerleader lands on them.

CREEPY COUPLE (cont'd)

Holy shit!

BANG #5 and #6: The Last Werewolf Cheerleader, running into diner at Alice before she blasts her away.

The backup generator <u>powers on</u>, revealing Alice, gun drawn, dead Werewolf Cheerleaders all around her.

The Cheerleaders become human again in death.

Rose, blade to Loni's neck, shoves her out of the bathroom. A tear of blood rolls down her cheek from the injured eye.

Took you long enough.

ROSE

Ran out of toilet paper.

LONI

I want a lawyer!

ROSE

Yeah, we're fresh out of that.

Angel slowly walks in. Alice takes out a fat stack of cash.

This should cover the... damages.

ANGEL

It's on the house.

ALICE

Please.

Alice flips through the bills, looks around the restaurant, hands the whole wad of cash to Angel. Alice and Rose lead Loni out the door. Angel and the Creepy Couple look stunned.

ROSE

(to Angel)
Best pancakes I ever ate!

Angel locks the door as soon as Rose exits.

### EXT. ANGEL'S - NIGHT

Alice and Rose watch Loni text: "Mission accomplished! When do I get the dolla dolla bills? ;)"

ALICE

What's that symbol?

LONI

Winking. An emoticon?

ROSE

She doesn't do emotions.

LONI

I noticed.

Alice shoots Loni a death glare. Loni gets a text back: "Well done. Wait for further instructions." Alice slips the phone in her pocket.

LONI (cont'd)
You took my eye, killed my pack. Don't think this is over.

ALICE

You came after us first.

LONI

Fine. Shoot, but you don't screw with these people and get to walk away.

ALICE

Noted. Get in.

LONT

Not a chance.

# INT. CHALLENGER - NIGHT (TRUNK SHOT)

Loni, mouth and hands duct taped, stuffed inside, screams all muffled. Alice shakes a baggie of herbs over her head.

ALICE

Wolfsbane. You don't pipe down I'm dumping it all over you.

Loni shuts up.

ALICE (cont'd)

Good girl.

ROSE

And there better be some cheese left when we stop!

Loni looks confused. Alice slams the trunk shut.

## EXT. DIRT ROAD / INT. FORD LTD - NIGHT

The black, beat to hell and back LTD jerks and sputters, bouncing Alice and Rose's head against the roof. We hear Loni's MUFFLED YELPS every time the car jumps.

ALICE

Should've kept the Challenger.

Alice tries to get comfortable, but the seat is stuck too close to the steering wheel. Rose's seat keeps reclining.

ROSE

So you'd rather get arrested?

ALICE

Yes.

ROSE

Turn on the radio.

ALICE

Doubt this thing has one.

Rose's seat reclines again. Annoyed, she pushes it back up.

ROSE

You know, it wouldn't hurt you to emote a little bit.
(MORE)

ROSE (cont'd)

I learned all about feelings in the funny farm. Try this. I feel --

Alice just looks at her.

ROSE (cont'd)

(drawn out)

I... feel...

ALICE

Like I hate my life right now. Happy?

ROSE

It's a start.

Rose's seat falls back again. She grumbles.

### INT. TRUNK - NIGHT

Loni focuses. Her claw-like nails extend, longer than before. She cuts through the duct tape, grins...

### INT. FORD LTD - NIGHT

Alice studies a faded sign. Hard to make out just what it says. Rose tries to keep her seat upright.

ALICE

What's that say?

ROSE

(reading sign)
Well chrome may to Somewhere County something something... Is that an L?

ALICE

Thanks.

ROSE

Just keep going. We'll find the cabin. Can't miss it.

Neither notice Loni's CLAWS poking out of the backseat.

ROSE (cont'd) I bet Loni needs to pee.

ALICE

It's a big trunk.

ROSE

See? That's what I'm talking about. Words hurt, my sister.

Loni crawls out of the backseat, attacks.

Rose's chair reclines at the last moment and Loni hits the radio, turning it on way too loud.

A cool dance song plays as the sisters fight off Loni and the car swerves down the road.

LONI

I'm an Alpha, bitch! I'll kill you! (then)

Is that Cardi? This is my jam!

She inexplicably sings along, tries to get her murder on.

ALICE

Get her!

ROSE

You get her!

Alice motions to the wheel, punches Loni.

Rose whips out blades, clashes with Loni's claws.

Mortal close quarters Kombat!

Alice grabs Loni's hair. Rose goes for the kill. Loni moves and Rose cuts off chunks of hair instead.

Loni howls, enraged, shoves Rose's head against the window. Rose tries to let the window down, but it jams. She grumbles.

Alice draws a gun, fires.

Rose's seat reclines and Alice blasts out the window instead.

Loni knocks Alice's gun away, leaps onto her, teeth chomping inches from her face.

ROSE (cont'd)

Hey, who's driving?

Alice and Loni look at each other. This is gonna suck...

The LTD veers off-road into a tree.

### LATER

A black smoke cloud billows from the LTD's hood, obscuring its three occupants. Seconds later, Rose crawls out of the passenger side window, sways over to the driver's side.

ROSE

Alice!

The door swings open. Rose draws a knife. Alice materializes out of the smoke, coughing.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{ALICE} \\ \text{Any sign of her?} \end{array}$ 

Then they see Loni. <u>Tree branch impaled through her head exposing brain</u>. Arms flailing. Mouth trying and failing to form words. Unable to heal or die. A sad sight.

Only one thing to do now...

Alice takes out her gun. Rose turns away, hands over her ears. Alice kills Loni with one shot.

She hangs back long enough to see Loni  $\underline{\text{REVERT to human}}$ , walks to the trunk, opens it. Rose makes the sign of the cross.

### EXT. WOODS - NIGHT

A bird's eye view revealing a dense forest and two LIGHTS getting closer and closer.

It's Rose and Alice. Duffel bags and flashlights, trekking over felled logs. Alice steps in something squishy, stops.

ALICE

Either we're trailing multiples bears with severe cases of diarrhea or we're going in circles.

Alice wipes the mess off in the grass.

ROSE

I have a photo-fuckin'-grahic memory. Couldn't forget if I wanted to. So for the last <u>fucking</u> time, we're going the right way!

ALICE

Uh-huh. Unless you've got the coordinates backwards.

ROSE

That's... Possible.

Alice sighs.

ALICE

Should've known.

ROSE

What? That I would screw up?

ALICE

Didn't say that.

ROSE

It was implied. Look, I have had a <u>lot</u> of therapy.

ALICE

Clearly.

ROSE

My point is I don't have to take this from a passive aggressive robot lady!

(deadpan)
Ouch. You got me.

ROSE

You're repressed. Don't you feel anything? Joy? Sadness? Anger?!

ALICE

Can't afford to.

ROSE

Well, stick around, sister. I'll teach you a thing or two.

Rose bumps into something, stabs it with a knife. It's a perfectly camouflaged cabin. Alice looks at her.

ALICE

You done?

ROSE

Told you we'd find it.

#### INT. CABIN - NIGHT

Dracula, back to us, dressed like Bela Lugosi, watches Rose and Alice from a window. Smoke RISES behind him dramatically.

### EXT. CABIN - NIGHT

Muffled music PLAYS inside. Alice and Rose stand on either sides of the door. Alice draws two handguns. She offers one to Rose, who refuses, opens her jacket, revealing an assortment of blades, dual wields hunting knives.

ALICE

(whispers)

On three.

Alice silently mouths "One... Two..."

And Loni's ring tone goes off...

Alice fumbles to silence it, gives up, kicks the door in.

## INT. CABIN - NIGHT

Alice and Rose charge into a cloud of pot smoke, instantly cough. Stoners dressed as COUNT ORLOK, BELA LUGOSI'S DRACULA, GARY OLDMAN'S VERSION complete with the crazy wig, and a NIC CAGE LOOK-ALIKE WHO MAY ACTUALLY BE Nic Cage -- smoke weed, listen to Pink Floyd's "The Dark Side of the Moon".

BELA

It's the Feds! Run!

Bela rises from the couch, runs in place. He looks over his shoulder, surprised to find Alice and Rose still behind him.

ROSE

What the what?

Gary takes a hit from a bong, giggles.

GARY

You can arrest us, but the Drac party will rage on!

ROSE

Drac party?

BELA

We dress up as Dracula and get lit.

ORLOK

Lit!

Orlok dances.

ALICE

So... none of you are <u>real</u> vampires?

NIC

 $\underline{I}$  am.

He hisses, <u>fake vampire teeth</u> falling out. Orlok grabs a fly swatter, swings at something only he can see. Bela slumps onto the couch, eats Frankenberry cereal out of the box.

ORLOK

Where's that bug spray?

ALICE

(to Rose)

Backrooms.

They do a quick sweep of the rooms. Rose goes into the bathroom. Alice returns to the main room, stares at a CROSSED EYE DEER'S HEAD mounted on the wall. She reaches into the mouth. Pulls out the final CROWN PIECE.

She slips the crown piece into a pocket, puts her guns away.

ALICE (cont'd)

You better get out of here.

ORLOK

But Sam and Joss said we could use the cabin for the whole --

ALICE

-- Don't care. Out. Now.

Rose quickly walks back in before anyone can exit.

ROSE

Something's wrong with the toilet paper. It just tried to kill me!

(re: weed)

This is some good shit, right?

ORLOK

Thought we were out of toilet paper?

The Mummy BURSTS through the bathroom door. The Stoners scream, run around the room and into one another in a panic.

BELA

Flush it!

ALICE

Out! Move!

Gary and Nic haul ass out the door. Orlok and Bela move to follow, but the Mummy's skin-like <u>wraps loop around them</u>, <u>fling them into the walls</u>, instantly killing them.

Alice empties her clips, bullets leaving Swiss cheese-esque holes in the Mummy's chest.

Scarabs CRAWL out of the bullet wounds, FLY towards her.

Rose stabs the Mummy in the neck. He yanks the blade out, ROARS at her. Rose roars back, thrust a blade in his face.

The Mummy's loops wrap around her throat...

Alice makes the save, SHOOTING the Mummy's eyes out.

He spins around, throws Rose into the bathroom. His frakkin' eyes  $\underline{\mathsf{GROW}}$   $\underline{\mathsf{BACK}}$ .  $\underline{\mathsf{Ew...}}$ 

THE MUMMY

It... is... futile. As... long... as... my... heart... still... beats... I... am... immortal!

Rose, bug spray and lighter in hand, runs into the room.

ALICE

What are you doing?

ROSE

Improvising. Ready to run like hell?

ALICE

Always am.

Rose flicks on the lighter, sprays the pesticide. She <u>lights</u> the Mummy ablaze, who drops Alice, SCREAMS in pain.

### EXT. CABIN - NIGHT

Alice and Rose race out the door. Still high, Gary feels his face while Nic dances in the background.

GARY

I think I'm dead.

NIC

Boo!

GARY

Aah! A qhost!

Gary runs off into the woods.

ROSE

(to Alice) Think he's dead?

The Mummy, covered in flames, limps out the door, ROARS.

ALICE

Nope.

NIC

To the Drac Mobile!

Nic spins around in circles, sings the Batman theme song from the 1960s. Rose spots a woodchipper and an axe next to a woodpile by in the distance.

ROSE

You thinking what I'm thinking?

ALICE

Doubt it.

NIC

Are you thinking what I'm thinking?

ALICE

Nobody on this planet's thinking what you're thinking.

He is no match for my POWER!

Nic Naruto Runs. In the opposite direction of the Mummy...

ROSE

(to the Mummy)

Hey, ugly! Over here!

Rose runs to the woodchipper. The Mummy pursues her, WRAPS gaining on her. She reaches the machine, searches for the ON switch. Where is... There. Yes!

No!

The Mummy's wraps tighten around her wrists, pull her back.

THE MUMMY

Time... to... die.

Alice CHOPS the Mummy's arms off, freeing Rose.

ALICE

Change of plans.

The RUMBLING of the woodchipper drown out the Mummy's ROAR.

Alice uppercuts the Mummy with the axe, sending him flying into the machine feet first.

The <u>blades draw</u> the Mummy in, <u>grinding and sawing</u> him and his BEATING BLACK HEART into Mummy Meat. *Mmm. Nastiness...* 

ROSE

(shouting) Is he dead?

ALICE

What?!

Rose turns the woodchipper off.

ROSE

Is he dead?

ALICE

If he's alive he ain't happy.

Gary comes out of hiding, picks up a piece of the Mummy's heart, eats it. Alice and Rose look sick to their stomachs.

GARY

This jerky tastes really dry.

Rose gags. Loni's phone rings. Alice puts it on speaker.

ALICE

We're still standing. You got any monsters left, send 'em, 'cause the Van Helsings are coming.

Alice draws a gun, throws the phone into the air, shoots it.

# INT. MANSION / THRONE ROOM - NIGHT

Fritz hears the GUNSHOT, drops the phone. Dracula, sitting on an ivory throne, picks up the phone, <u>crushes</u> it. Isabella rests her head on his shoulder. Victoria looks on, smug.

VICTORIA

Send me, Father.

DRACULA

Risk my flesh and blood? Never.

VICTORIA

You can't argue with my results.

**ISABELLA** 

You heard him.

Victoria starts to protest, but Dracula raises a hand. End of discussion. At least for now anyway...

VICTORIA

As you wish, Father.

DRACULA

Now I must rest.

Fritz wheels the chair over. Isabella offers her assistance, but Dracula waves her off, gets in it himself.

VICTORIA

Goodnight, Father.

Dracula strokes Victoria's cheek. Isabella wheels him out of the room. Victoria stands by the throne, gets her phone out. Fritz checks his breath, approaches her.

If I may, a word, m'lady.

VICTORIA

Go on.

FRITZ

Your strength and cunning are without question. The Master couldn't bear the thought of losing you. Nor could I. What I mean to say is --

VICTORIA

-- I'm famished. Could you be a dear and bring the car around?

FRTT7

B-But the Master has forbidden --

Victoria pulls Fritz to her, whispers in his ear.

VICTORIA

I'm so hungry. Please?

Yes, m'lady! Right away!

He scampers out the door. She rolls her eyes, dials someone.

VICTORIA

(into phone)
Play time's over. It's time we met face to face. What do you say, midnight rendezvous?

Victoria sits on the throne, makes herself comfortable.

Behind the room we see Isabella eavesdropping.

#### EXT. RANCH - NIGHT

Grassy hill country. A slice of paradise. Marceline and OTHER VAMPIRES feed animals. OTHERS dry out in small glass houses — detox boxes. Marceline ruffles the hair of a KID VAMPIRE.

KID VAMPIRE Can't we just let them go?

MARCELINE

I'd like to, but they provide us with food. It's all part of a delicate balance. The circle of life.

KID VAMPIRE

What's that mean?

MARCELINE

Ever see The Lion King? Look, it'll make sense someday. Go get more feed.

The Kid Vampire runs off. She watches him with a smile. Someone stands in the shadows behind Marceline.

> MARCELINE (cont'd) You're late. Curfew was half an hour ago. Where have you been?

Priest leans on the fence beside her.

PRIEST

Went on patrol. Got turned around.

Marceline studies him. Looks disappointed.

MARCELINE

You think I can't smell the human blood on your breath? With a hint of mouthwash and perfume.

PRIEST

You sound jealous.

MARCELINE

How long have you been off the wagon?

PRIEST

You don't trust me? After everything we've been through?

Priest looks genuinely hurt. Marceline ain't buying it.

PRIEST (cont'd) Couple of days, but I --

MARCELINE

-- Grab a seat in a detox box or you can get out. Your choice.

Priest rattles the fence, <u>fangs bared</u>. Marceline holds her ground. He backs down, walks to an empty detox box.

PRIEST

It doesn't have to be this way.

MARCELINE

Anything less would be chaos.

PRIEST

How else are things ever gonna change?

The Kid Vampire comes running back with a bucket of feed. He suddenly drops it, passes out. One by one the Other Vampires pass out, fall to the ground.

MARCELINE

No... No!

Marceline, suddenly woozy, stumbles into Priest's arms.

MARCELINE (cont'd)

Poison? Priest, what have you done?

PRIEST

What you should have long ago. This world is ours for the taking.

MARCELINE

We can still live in harmony. Don't let Victoria turn you into a monster. This isn't you. You're a good man.

PRIEST

No, my Queen. I'm a good vampire.

Marceline passes out. Priest gently lays her down, removes his white ring, places it in her hand.

#### LATER

Priest stuffs the  $\underline{\text{crown piece}}$  into a briefcase, walks past a multitude of dead or dying VAMPIRES towards the exit.

### EXT. ROAD - NIGHT

Alice and Rose, duffel bags in hand, hold out their thumbs, try to hitch a ride. A truck passes them by.

ROSE

This is humiliating.

ALICE

It's a necessity.

ROSE

Screw it. Time for Plan B.

Rose whips a knife into her palm. Headlights approach. Alice motions for her to put the blade away. A familiar church van pulls up. Maria's at the wheel.

MARIA

Get in.

ALICE

We'll wait for the next one.

The Sisters of Mercy file out, weapons drawn.

MARIA

I'm afraid it wasn't a request.

ROSE

Can you turn on the radio?

Alice looks at her. Rose shrugs. The Sisters of Mercy slip black hoods over their heads.

### INT. CHURCH VAN - NIGHT (MOVING)

Rose, hood still over her head, handcuffed, dances to "Shackles" by Mary, Mary. Alice, also still hooded and cuffed, shakes her head. Maria turns the radio off.

ROSE

Aww.

ALICE

Seriously, we're being kidnapped.

## EXT. SAINT JOHN'S - NIGHT

Maria and the Sisters of Mercy -- Alice and Rose in tow -- row across a pristine lake towards a beautiful monastery. Ancient bells RING as the boats approach a Viking like gate. A watch tower and a gazebo lie on the other side.

#### EXT. COURTYARD - NIGHT

Maria and the Sisters of Mercy lead Alice and Rose -- hoods off but still handcuffed -- past SPARING NUNS utilizing various martial arts, NUNS crossing kendo sticks, and OTHER NUNS practicing archery.

They stop at a prayer room. Sister Hazel's among the NUNS chanting. She spots Alice and Rose, hurries over.

HAZEL

Uncuff them.

MARIA

Sister Ruth said --

Hazel breaks Alice and Rose's cuffs.

HAZEL

If Sister Ruth has a problem she can take it up with me.

Maria and the Nuns exit.

### INT. LIBRARY - NIGHT

Large room filled with ancient tomes on the shelf. Hazel hugs Alice, then Rose, who smiles.

HAZEL

Little Rosie.

ROSE

It's good to see you. I kept all your birthday cards and letters.

Alice looks to Hazel. That's news to her.

HAZEL

Kept yours too, baby girl.

ALICE

Glad for the reunion, but are we gonna talk about Ruth selling us out?

HAZEL

She wouldn't.

ALICE

<u>Someone</u> sure as -- Someone did. Who else has access to your phone?

HAZEL

Everyone. We share phone privileges.

ALICE

Great. So that means anyone could've ratted us out?

HAZEL

You're monsters' most wanted. The important thing is you're both okay.

ROSE

And we got the crown pieces.

ALICE

Half of them. Somebody must've nabbed the one at that vampire brewery.

Rose and Hazel share a look.

ALICE (cont'd)

Long story.

HAZEL

HAZEL (cont'd)

Turns out Ruth's dead set on finding some ancient scroll from Heaven.

ROSE

...Okay.

HAZEL

If contains a spell that'll make the crown whole again. Has to be cast at midnight, but can't be done without all the pieces and ... a sacrifice.

ROSE

Dad?

HAZEL

We'll get him back. Where are the pieces of the crown you found?

Sister Ruth walks in, on the phone. We don't hear what she says, but it looks like an intense conversation.

ALICE

Why don't we ask her?

Sister Ruth looks surprised to see the trio. She recovers, puts the phone away.

SISTER RUTH
The library is off limits to
outsiders, Hazel. You know that.

ALICE

Hitting up Dracula again?

SISTER RUTH

Excuse me?

ROSE

You heard her, bitch--

SISTER RUTH

-- Watch your mouth. As for who I converse with, you'll find out as soon as it becomes your business.

ROSE

That's it. I'm cutting her.

Hazel holds Rose back.

ALICE

So what did he promise you? Money? Power? Immortality?

SISTER RUTH

You think that I would... I've dedicated my entire life to eradicating the forces of evil! Why would I...

RINGING bells echo throughout the building.

SISTER RUTH (cont'd)

Someone's breached the gate.

ALICE

Where are the crown pieces?

SISTER RUTH

Somewhere safe. I sent Sister Maria and a team to retrieve you and secure them while I safeguarded...

Sister Ruth slides a painting off the wall, opens a safe.

It's empty.

SISTER RUTH (cont'd)

... The scroll.

# EXT. SAINT JOHN'S / GAZEBO - NIGHT

A duffel bag. Held by Sister Maria. Standing in the center of a circle of sacramental bread.

But she's not the nervous, shrinking violet we've seen before. Right now she's angry. <a href="Determined">Determined</a>.

A <u>motorboat speeds</u> towards her, revealing Priest at the wheel accompanied by Victoria. Priest helps her out, hands her a briefcase. Victoria stops just shy of the bread.

VICTORIA

Want to say grace first?

MARIA

Show me the money.

VICTORIA

Bossy. Who'd have thought?

Victoria opens the briefcase, flashes the cash.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Now show me yours.

Sister Maria unzips the duffel bag, revealing the two <a href="mailto:crown">crown</a>
<a href="pieces and the scroll">pieces and the scroll</a>. Victoria grins. Maria zips it back up.

MARIA

Same time.

VICTORIA

Aw. Don't you trust me?

They make the exchange. We expect Victoria to pull some kind of shenanigan, but --

Maria strikes first, pulling Victoria into the circle. Victoria's eyes widen in shock. She's <a href="trapped">trapped</a>.

Priest rushes to Victoria's aid, but Maria pulls a rope, dropping buckets of HOLY WATER onto him. He yelps, dives into the water. Victoria comes at her. Sister Maria raises a crucifix, keeps her back. Victoria hisses, shielding herself.

VICTORIA (cont'd) Can't trust anybody these days.

Sister Maria rolls up a sleeve, revealing a tattoo: JENNA

MARIA

Look. Look at it! Recognize the name?

VICTORIA

Should I?

MARIA

You took her from me.

VICTORIA

So Gina was your gal pal, huh?

Sister Maria burns Victoria with the cross.

MARIA

Jenna was my everything!

VICTORIA

I remember her now. She was tasty.

Sister Maria draws her dagger.

MARIA

I said I was ashamed of her. Of <u>us</u>. That's why I became a nun. I could've made things right with her, but you...

Sister Maria cries. Victoria looks apologetic. Then laughs.

VICTORIA

Wah! You sucked my girlfriend! I realize her death was some massive moment for you, but for me, it was Tuesday. Or was it Thursday?

Priest climbs onto the gazebo, cracks his neck.

MARIA

I'm going to send you both back to Hell where you belong.

PRIEST

Come on, kid. Did you really think we'd show without backup?

A GORGEOUS SIREN

rises out of the water, sings a haunting ballad. Her reflection reveals her true form -- a <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal-org/">https://doi.org/10.1007/journal-org/</a>

Sister Maria, smile on her face, terror in her eyes, turns the dagger on herself.

VICTORIA

Last I heard suicide was a mortal sin, right? Ruh-ruh!

Sister Maria stabs herself in the chest. Her blood breaks the circle, freeing Victoria...

VICTORIA (cont'd)
Don't worry. You'll have plenty of
company to keep you extra toasty.

Priest grabs the duffel bag and briefcase, follows Victoria back to the motorboat. They speed off as more SIRENS rise from the water, march towards the cathedral.

### EXT. COURTYARD - NIGHT

Pandemonium. Under the Sirens' melodic spell, Sisters of Mercy fight to the death, killing one another, set the monastery and themselves ablaze.

# INT. SAINT JOHN'S / HALLWAY - NIGHT

Alice, Rose, Hazel, Sister Ruth, and a couple of Other Nuns battle their way to the prayer room.

SISTER RUTH

Inside! Quickly! It's soundproof!

HAZEL

What about you?

SISTER RUTH

I'm going after Maria.

HAZEL

I'm coming with you.

SISTER RUTH

You can't risk --

 ${\tt HAZEL}$ 

Someone has to take those Sirens out. Their song won't affect me.

ROSE

We're coming too.

ALICE

(to Sister Ruth)

I'll cover you.

SISTER RUTH

There's a secret passageway. It will take us past the courtyard.

#### AT THE END OF THE HALL

A Nun flings a throwing star as Another releases an arrow.

The throwing star and arrow hit their marks, killing them.

Sword wielding Nuns stab one another in the heart, die in each other's arms.

Sirens stride in past the chaos.

HAZEL

I got this.

Hazel's  $\underline{\text{fangs extend}}$ . She jumps into battle. It's a quick and vicious monster fight. Clawing/Biting/Growling.

Sirens gang up on Hazel.

Sister Ruth taps the wall, revealing the hidden passageway, disappears inside.

ROSF

Alice, come on!

Alice reluctantly runs into the passageway with Rose.

### INT. PASSAGEWAY - NIGHT

The trio somberly moves past dead Nuns towards the exit.

A kneeling Nun, hands over her ears, blocks them.

SISTER RUTH

Sister Lamb, are you --

Sister Lamb draws her sword. In an instant <u>cuts Sister Ruth's</u> right hand clean off.

Sister Ruth screams as <u>BLOOD ERUPTS</u> from the stump.

Sister Lamb brings the sword down towards Sister Ruth's eye.

Rose chucks a knife. It hits Sister Lamb in the arm. Unfazed by the pain, she swings the sword at the sisters. Rose grabs two swords by a felled Nun, blocking her blade.

ROSE

Take care of her!

Alice throws off her coat, wraps it around Sister Ruth's stump. Secures a tourniquet with her tie.

SISTER RUTH

Don't worry about me. Get to Maria.

Alice secures the tourniquet, runs out the door.

Rose and Sister Lamb dodge each other's deadly strikes, blades clanging and slashing the air.

Sister Lamb kicks Rose and one of her swords goes flying.

Rose pins her arms, knees her in the ribs. Sister Lamb flips her over. She grabs Rose's blade, smiling like a lunatic as it pierces through her hand.

A blade stabs her through the back.

Sister Lamb's smile fades as she falls dead.

Sister Ruth collapses beside her. Rose checks her pulse.

#### EXT. GAZEBO - NIGHT

Smoke rises from Saint John's. No sign of Victoria, Priest, or the Sirens. Alice, gun out, enters. Sister Maria lies still, deathly pale. We think she's gone to the great beyond until she grabs Alice's leg. Alice kneels beside her.

MARIA Please... Forgive me.

ALICE Save your breath, okay?

MARIA
Jenna, I'm so sorry. I didn't mean
what I said.

Alice, realizing Maria's delirious, plays along.

ALICE I know, Maria. I forgive you.

MARIA
It wouldn't be paradise without you.

Sister Maria takes her last breath, dies smiling.

Alice closes Maria's eyes.

The Siren's song lightly plays in the background. Someone stands behind Alice. She trains her gun on -- Victoria.

VICTORIA You hear something?

Alice fires, but Victoria grabs her arm, avoiding certain death at the last second.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Wait!

Victoria disarms her. Alice kicks her off the gazebo. Victoria grabs her leg, blocking another kick.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Alice, it's me!

Alice kicks Victoria with her free leg. They separate, roll to their feet. Victoria points to her face.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Look at me! It's Rose.

For a moment it seems like the Siren's spell is broken, then, Alice attacks. Victoria counters. They reach a stalemate.

VICTORIA (cont'd)
Remember our dog Desi? The day he died
was the last time I ever saw you cry.
You didn't even cry at Mom's funeral!

Alice looks up, SEES Rose. And the Siren right behind her.

ALICE

Look out!

The Siren swipes Rose, slashes Alice's leg, and down go the sisters. The Siren's SONG grows louder. Alice holds her ears. Rose, unaffected, crawls to Alice's gun. Her hand hovers over it, unable to pick it up.

ALICE (cont'd)

Rose!

ROSE

I... I can't!

Hazel pops up behind the Siren, sinks her fangs into her neck. The Siren's song transitions to inhuman, but nevertheless terrified SCREAMS.

Hazel shows no mercy, ripping the Siren's throat out.

Her head whips around towards Alice. Eyes bloodshot, predatory. The Siren's black blood dripping from her mouth.

ALICE

Hazel?

Hazel sniffs the blood on Alice's knee, crawls towards her at lightning speed.

ALICE (cont'd)

Hazel!

Hazel dips her finger in the blood. She brings it to her lip, eyes Alice. For the first time since we've met her, Alice truly looks frightened...

Hazel quickly backs into a dark corner, hugs herself.

They remain still and silent a long beat before Hazel says--

HAZEL

Better slap a Band Aid and some disinfectant on that soon.

They all laugh, relieved, but still uneasy.

ALICE

I will as soon as you take shelter. Promise. Come on. Sun's almost up.

HAZEL

Been a long time since I've seen it.

ROSE

Hazel, don't do this.

HAZEL

I can't fight it anymore, girls. I don't want to. You have to end this.

ALICE

Don't ask me to --

HAZEL

-- Have mercy. Please?

Alice pulls herself together, picks up her gun. Rose cries.

HAZEL (cont'd)

Raising you girls was an honor, but you were some bad ass children.

Alice and Rose share a sad laugh.

HAZEL (cont'd)
You've grown into capable, very beautiful young women. I couldn't be prouder of you. Neither could Abraham.

Hazel removes her habit, revealing her bare head and arms. She wears a white gown. She kneels, sings "Amazing Grace". Alice steels herself, stands behind her with the gun.

Rose leans on the gazebo, silently sobbing.

The sun breaks through the clouds. Alice raises the gun, drops her hand, can't do it.

Rose holds her hand. They sing along. With the sun shining down on Hazel, Alice pulls the trigger.

Hazel's body burns away, ashes floating towards the heavens.

Alice lets her gun drop. Still as a statue. Doesn't cry. Maybe she no longer can. Rose picks up Hazel's CROSS NECKLACE from the ashes. She holds it to her heart, devastated.

### INT. MANSION / TROPHY ROOM - DAY

Victoria smiles, shows off the four crown pieces to Abraham.

VICTORIA

If it's any consolation your daughters fought right to the bitter end.

**ABRAHAM** 

Rose? No...

VICTORIA

Yes! My only regret is that I didn't gut them myself.

**ABRAHAM** 

Victoria, is it?

VICTORIA

That's Queen Victoria to you.

ABRAHAM

If it's the last thing I do, I will kill you. I swear it.

VICTORIA

That's cute. I see where your daughter got it from. Now the fashion sense? Must've come from mama.

**ABRAHAM** 

Whatever you're planning, it won't work. The crown requires a sacrifice. One you're not prepared to make.

VICTORIA

Just you watch.

Victoria exits with the crown pieces. Off Abraham, defeated.

### INT. VICTORIA'S ROOM - DAY

The door opens and Fritz, all smiles, carrying boxes of Monster energy drinks, enters.

FRITZ

Good news, m'lady! I communed with a dead prophet who was able to --

Victoria pulls her clothes on. Priest lies in bed, smiling wide, hands behind his head. Fritz looks crushed.

FRITZ (cont'd)
Translate the scroll... Perhaps I should have knocked.

PRIEST

Loud. Ooo-rah!

VICTORIA

Nice work, Fritz.

FRITZ

Thank you, m'lady.

PRIEST

Leave the boxes, little man. We're gonna need every last one of those.

FRITZ

My name, good sir, is <u>Fritz</u> and I only take orders from his Royal Highness Count Dracul or the Princesses. Is he bothering you, m'lady?

VICTORIA

Not as much as I'm <u>bothering</u> him. Take the crown pieces and prepare Van Helsing for the sacrifice.

Fritz grabs a crown piece before Isabella storms in.

ISABELLA

You will do no such thing! What would Father think if he found you fraternizing with the enemy?

VICTORIA

Frankly, dear sister, I haven't given a damn what Father has thought since the Renaissance.

ISABELLA

The throne. That's what this is about.

VICTORIA

That's what it's always been about, Izzie. It's the dawn of a new age and I'm feeling good.

ISABELLA

Let's see what Father thinks about that, shall we?

Isabella grabs the duffel bag containing the remaining three crown pieces. Victoria grabs the other end. Priest stands to assist. Victoria raises a hand.

FRITZ

Uh, ladies...

ISABELLA

VICTORIA

Stay out of this!

Shut up!

Isabella yanks the duffel bag away. Victoria hisses.

ISABELLA

You're nothing but a treacherous viper. Just like Marceline!

Victoria snaps, BREAKS a wooden post off the bed.

VICTORIA

Don't you ever compare me to --

Victoria STABS Isabella through the heart.

VICTORIA (cont'd)

Izzie... Izzie?!

Isabella drops the duffel bag, mouth gaping open in shock.

**ISABELLA** 

Long live the Queen.

Isabella <u>crumples to dust</u> in Victoria's hands.

Victoria looks to Fritz, throws her arms around him.

Dracula wheels in, aghast. He springs from the chair, cradling Isabella's ashes. Belts out a bat-like SHRIEK filled with pain and rage. Priest hides under the bed.

DRACULA

Victoria!

Uh-oh... She and Fritz separate.

DRACULA (cont'd)

Who is responsible for this?

Victoria and Fritz share a look of solidarity, nod.

VICTORIA

Fritz, Father.

FRITZ

Say what?!

VICTORIA

He's gone made at the thought of power. Isabella... She tried to stop him and he...

Dracula turns his wrath on Fritz.

FRITZ

Master, I would never --

DRACULA

Guards!

VAMPIRE GUARDS in black suits burst into the room.

DRACULA (cont'd)

Tear him apart. Slowly.

Fritz weighs his options, dives out the window.

### EXT. MANSION - DAY

Fritz crashes into the pool, climbs out, runs for his life. Dracula's Knights -- their armor protecting them from the sunlight -- march after him. Fearsome. Inevitable.

#### EXT. MOUNTAIN - NIGHT

Fritz skids to a stop, looks over the edge of a waterfall. Dracula's Knights, swords drawn, close in.

FRITZ

I'd never hurt the Princess! I beseech you, believe me! I did nothing wrong!

The LEAD KNIGHT, scariest armor of the bunch, points his sword at Fritz.

LEAD KNIGHT

I don't care.

Fritz closes his eyes, steps off the edge. He disappears under the rushing water...

### INT. VICTORIA'S ROOM - NIGHT

Dracula mourns Isabella. Victoria wraps her arms around him, but her eyes stay fixed on the crown pieces.

#### BLAM! BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!

# EXT. SAFE HOUSE - DAY

Alice, shooting empty beer bottles. She's a crack shot of course. She pulls the trigger. It takes her a beat to realize she's out of ammo. A barn and a church rebuilt into a house -- chimney replacing the steeple -- loom in the distance.

### INT. SAFE HOUSE - DAY

An empty beer bottle rolls across the floor, stops at Alice's foot. Sister Ruth, hair down/shirt/jeans, chugs a beer. Plays Iron Butterfly's "In a Gadda Da Vida" one-handed at a piano.

ALICE

What are you doing?

SISTER RUTH

What the hell does it look like?

ALICE

Looks like you're drinking.

SISTER RUTH

A prize for the lady. Budd's Best Brew. Must be. Says so on the label.

Sister Ruth's about to take another swig when Alice grabs the bottle, puts it on the piano, sits beside her.

ALICE

Whatever this is, we don't have time for it. So get your head on straight.

SISTER RUTH All we've got now is time.

Sister Ruth takes another gulp.

SISTER RUTH (cont'd)
That was my sponsor. On the phone
before? Usually I'm the one trying to
talk people out of things. You'd be
surprised how many in my profession
drink. This being a stressful
occupation and all. At least it was.

ALICE

So what, you're just done?

SISTER RUTH

Why not? The world is. It has been for a long time, but I didn't want to accept it. Poverty, violence, monsters crawling about. Time to kick back, smoke 'em if you got 'em, shag 'em if you have 'em, and enjoy the fireworks.

ALICE

You're drunk.

SISTER RUTH

But not wrong.

Sister Ruth's head crashes onto the keys as she passes out.

#### LATER

Alice drops Sister Ruth onto a cot.

#### INT. BEDROOM - DAY

Rose sits against the wall, swings Hazel's cross necklace back and forth. She looks up, sees Alice standing there.

ALICE

You should eat something.

ROSE

Why?

ALICE

You're gonna need your strength if --

ROSE

If what? It's over! The monsters won just like I said they would. Even if it wasn't I'd just screw things up again anyway. I can't ride shotgun. Can't even pick up a damn gun.

ALICE

So use a knife instead.

ROSE

You should've left me in Sunny Side. Everyone would've been better off.

Alice sits beside her, holds Rose's hands, stopping her from swinging the cross. Rose looks at her.

ALICE

You're never going back in there. That turducken of doubt, rage, and gloom you feel? Me too. Almost all the time. So let's use it. Let's go save Dad.

Rose puts on the cross necklace.

ROSE

And the whole damn world.

### INT. MAIN ROOM - DAY

Alice and Rose, packing handguns/shotguns/knives/holy water/holy hand grenades in duffel bags.

Sister Ruth, nursing a beer, staggers in, shakes her head.

SISTER RUTH

You're going to die.

ROSE

Hey! Spoiler alert.

ALICE At least we'll go down fighting.

Sister Ruth sits the beer down, steps up to Alice.

Is she gonna hit her? LET'S GET READY TO RUMBLE!

SISTER RUTH

You're going to need a suitable ride.

Sister Ruth takes car keys out of her pocket, jingles them.

# EXT. SAFE HOUSE / INT. CHEVELLE - DAY

A black 1970 Chevelle SS 396 rolls out of the barn. Alice at the wheel, Rose next to her. Sister Ruth leans in the window.

SISTER RUTH

Safe travels.

ROSE

Room for one more.

Sister Ruth considers that a moment, steps back.

SISTER RUTH

God speed, girls.

Alice nods, revs the engine, rockets down the road. Sister Ruth watches the Chevelle a beat, turns her attention to the booze bottle in hand. Looks to the sky.

### INT. CHEVELLE - DAY

Alice expertly whips the Chevelle around the corner. Rose adjusts her seat, gets comfortable.

ROSE

Recruit a few good monsters? That's the craziest thing I've ever heard. Okay, maybe the third, but it's wacky.

ALICE

You got a better plan to even the odds I'm all ears.

ROSE

We'll find some flying monkeys and --

Alice looks at her. Really?

ALICE

Yeah, let's do my plan.

#### EXT. ELSA'S - NIGHT

While on the outside it may look like any other bar hidden in the desert, Elsa's is a bar for <u>supernatural pariahs</u> hidden in the desert. GIWOOBAISA (cute monkey) chirps and teeters towards a giggling HOBO VAMPIRE.

HOBO VAMPIRE

Bet you taste like chicken.

Giwoobaisa suddenly stops, looks at him. It <u>sprouts wings</u>. <u>Eyes turn black and soulless</u>. <u>Teeth sharpen to points</u>.

GIWOOBAISA

(deep evil voice)

But what flavor is your soul?

Hobo Vampire screams. Giwoobaisa suddenly looks up, finds an ASIAN WOMAN IN A PANAMA HAT and a poncho right out of a spaghetti western staring at it with an unnerving smile.

GIWOOBAISA (cont'd)

(adorable voice)
We were just playing a little game.
(to Hobo Vampire)
Right, friend? Hee hee hee!

The Hobo Vampire nods, terrified.

WOMAN IN PANAMA HAT You're a hard monkey to pin down, Giwoobaisa. You could come along without a fuss. But I hope you don't. Giwoobaisa quickly FLIES away. We WIDEN, revealing a stunned Alice and Rose looking on. The Woman in the Panama Hat shows a hint of recognition. She tips her hat, walks off serial killer-like after the flying monkey.

ROSE

You saw that, right?

Alice nods.

ROSE (cont'd)

Just checking.

They look back, but the Woman in the Panama Hat and the flying monkey are gone.

### INT. ELSA'S - NIGHT

Patrons drink beers, chat at booths. Aside from ULRIKA, the giant vampire bouncer keeping an eye out for any trouble, WOODEN TRAINING DUMMIES shooting pool (one with its cock), and ANDRÉ THE COOCHIE GREMLIN (gnarly green fur, Gizmo from Gremlins if he wore underwear and was a sex addict) tugging on the bartender GEORGIE's (cool shades, snakes for hair) shirt, this could be any other bar.

ANDRÉ THE COOCHIE GREMLIN Mey wan t'puzee!

GEORGIE

Damn it, André. I already told you we're not getting back together!

CHARLIE, creepy puppet, scraggly Charles Manson haircut, beard, plays with a straight razor, talks to GOATface, serial killer in a mirrored Goat mask, hoodie, dreads, in a booth.

CHARLIE

Got a motorcycle, a sleeping bag and ten or fifteen girls. What the hell I wanna go off and go to work for? Work for what? Money? I got all the money in the world. I'm the king, man. I run the underworld, guy. I decide who does what and where they do it at!

Fritz, keeping a low profile, sits alone, drowning his sorrows in the booth behind them.

Alice and Rose walk in. And the crowd goes silent. Monsters hide under tables. Others rise, ready to fight for their lives. Fritz chokes down his brew, watches Alice and Rose slowly approach the bar.

Ulrika takes giant steps towards them, gold fangs extending.

ULRIKA

Stepping on our turf's a good way to get yourselves killed.

ALICE

We're unarmed.

ULRIKA

You girls got a death wish?

ALICE

Just want to talk. Five minutes.

FRANK (O.S.)

Make it four.

FRANK, Frankenstein's Monster, faded surgical scars, tailored black suit, towering over Ulrika, exits a back room. He holds a puppy, RYDER, under his arm.

FRANK (cont'd) It's past Ryder's bedtime.

ROSE

Dracula's daughter has a magic crown that can enslave... All of you. We need your help to stop her and save our dad. Also the world.

The monsters laugh.

CHARLIE

(to GOATface)

You know, a long time ago being crazy meant something. Nowadays everybody's crazy.

GOATface nods.

Frank slams a fist on the bar. Everyone shuts up. All eyes are on him. He chews on it and chews on it and --

FRANK

Nah. Ulrika, show them out.

Ulrika cracks his knuckles. Fritz stands on the table.

FRITZ

Wait! They speak the truth. I have a piece of the crown on my person!

Fritz drunkenly searches for the crown piece, but it looks like he's trying to whip something else out. Alice and Rose move towards him, but Monsters fence them in.

ULRIKA

You're Fritz. Dracula's bitch. Thought you looked familiar. Time to go.

FRITZ

Dracula would be highly upset if anything were to happen to me.

FRANK

That sucks. Too bad nobody here cares what he thinks. Ulrika.

Ulrika throws Fritz past Alice and Rose out a window. The sisters stand back to back, ready to fight.

ROSE

Next time we're doing my plan!

ALICE

Does it really look like there's gonna be a next time?

Alice and Rose face-off with the Wooden Training Dummies, trading Kung Fu strikes.

Alice reverses a Dummy's arm lock, snaps its shoulder off.

Rose roundhouse kicks the Other.

Ulrika enters the fray, chokeslams them through a table.

The sisters help each other up, motion for him to bring it.

They dodge Ulrika's powerful strikes, <a href="mailto:break">break</a> the big man's leg with hard kicks. That's going to hurt in the morning.

Ulrika chokes Alice, but Rose puts him in a sleeper, wrenches back, snaps his neck.

Alice breaks a pool cue in half.

One of the Wooden Dummies holds his crotch, looks away. Ouch.

Ulrika wakes back up, but Rose kicks him down.

Alice holds the broken pool cue over Ulrika's heart. Rose breaks a beer bottle. Monsters run out the door. Others simply back away, give Alice and Rose space.

FRANK

Enough. Ladies, step into my office.

# INT. FRANK'S OFFICE - NIGHT

Frank, gently rocking Ryder to sleep. Alice stands by a chair, arms crossed. Rose sits cross-legged, notices a photo of Frank with a blushing bride, ELSA.

FRANK

Easy.

He lays Ryder in a comfy looking puppy bed, pours himself a ridiculously tall glass of bourbon.

FRANK (cont'd)
I'd offer you some, but it takes all
of it to give me a buzz.

He follows Rose's gaze to the photo.

FRANK (cont'd)
That's Elsa. Named the bar after her. We used to travel the world.

ROSE

Taking cool photos?

FRANK

That and assassinating people.

Rose looks to Alice, doesn't know what to say to that.

FRANK (cont'd)

The Count threw some very interesting numbers my way to take you girls out.

Why didn't you?

FRANK

I'm retired. But it's more than that. Me and Elsa's last job was to track down some magic bullet by any means necessary. Thought it was bull at first, but when players from every faction in the world wanted a piece of the action, we knew we were on to something big.

Frank reaches into his breast pocket, places a CLEAR BULLET with ANCIENT INSCRIPTIONS on it on the table.

FRANK (cont'd)

Turns out there were six, but we only found two. Its owner used one of them on my Elsa. I'd have ripped him apart, but then he died too. Tried to use the other on myself, but no matter the gun I used, the damn thing wouldn't fire. Double-edged bullet. If you can get it to work it will kill anything. But don't miss. It doesn't leave a trace of anything behind. of anything behind.

ALICE

Thanks.

Alice takes the bullet, slips it in her pocket. Rose rises.

ROSE

Mr. Frankenstein --

FRANK

Just Frank.

ROSE

Frank, we could use your help.

FRANK

To save the world, huh? The world's always ending, ladies. (MORE)

FRANK (cont'd)

Some geek on a power trip's always tampering in God's domain. I've been on both sides of that war. Whatever happens, happens.

ROSE

What about freedom?

FRANK

That puppy and this hole in the wall bar's freedom enough for me. Gonna have to be. They're all I've got left.

Rose, disappointed, joins Alice, exits. Frank drinks his bourbon, lovingly touches the picture of himself and Elsa.

### EXT. ELSA'S - NIGHT

The Sisters find Fritz waiting for them by the Chevelle.

ALICE

What do you want?

FRITZ

Revenge. And I'm not the only one.

VAMPIRES IN SPORTS CARS...

WEREWOLF AND HIPPY WITCH BIKERS...

GOATface, GEORGIE, AND ANDRÉ THE COOCHIE GREMLIN IN A MONSTER TRUCK...

AND THE SURVIVING SISTERS OF MERCY IN A VAN drive towards them.

Marceline and Sister Ruth, sober, IRON GAUNTLET replacing her right hand, exit the van, cross to them.

ALICE

Marceline?

MARCELINE

Long time no see.

ROSE

What's this?

SISTER RUTH

The cavalry.

MARCELINE

But don't think this changes anything. They still hate you and your father.

ALICE

Super.

MARCELINE

They just love freedom more. So for one night only they've agreed to put all that aside. You in?

Alice looks to Rose, who nods.

ALICE

Let's go to war.

# EXT. DESERT - NIGHT

The Chevelle, ripping past dunes. The unlikely army of witches and werewolves on wheels, ninja nuns in a church van, vampires in a '59 De Soto, and a Monster Truck following it.

#### INT. CHEVELLE - NIGHT

Alice drives as fast as she dares, mind on the mission. Rose looks concerned. Time to address the elephant in the room...

ROSE

If you use the bullet --

ALICE

-- I know. It's a last resort.

ROSE

You got that right.

ALICE

If things go as planned I'll never have to touch it.

ROSE

When do things ever go as planned?

Alice looks at her.

ALICE Everything's going to be alright. We just have to have faith.

Rose, still concerned, clutches Hazel's cross necklace.

ALICE (cont'd)

How long until midnight?

ROSE

Half an hour.

ALICE

Hold on.

Alice accelerates.

# INT. MANSION / THRONE ROOM - NIGHT

Victoria shrieks, enraged, slashes a Vampire Guard's throat, dusting him. Other Guards back away in terror. Priest enters, kneels before her. Abraham's chained to the wall behind them.

VICTORIA

Where is it?!

PRIEST

I've searched the mansion, combed the river. Nothing. That sideshow freak must have stolen it.

VICTORIA

Find him!

They look up, find Dracula wheeling towards them.

DRACULA

You removed Van Helsing behind my back. Now you sit at my throne. What is the meaning of this?!

**ABRAHAM** 

It's exactly what it looks like.

DRACULA

Silence!

(to Victoria) What do you have to say for yourself?

VICTORIA

Thank you.

Dracula and everyone else look surprised.

VICTORIA (cont'd)
Your contribution to the world has been inspiring. You've touched -- and ended -- countless lives. But... It's time to graciously step aside and let the new blood rule.

Victoria smiles.

This shameless plug was paid for by the friends of Victoria.

DRACULA

You? Queen of the Vampires?

Dracula laughs. Victoria's smile fades.

DRACULA (cont'd)
You? With the temperament of an impetuous child? I think not. Guards, escort my daughter to her room.

Priest and Other Guards loyal to Victoria dust the Others.

DRACULA (cont'd)

This is treason!

VICTORIA

This is the future. But you're right, Father. I won't be the Queen of the Vampires. I'll be Queen of All.

DRACULA

Dear Isabella... It was you!

He rises from the chair, knees wobbling, chokes her.

VICTORIA

(laughing)

Stop! It tickles!

Dracula weakly falls to his knees.

VICTORIA (CONT'D) (cont'd)

Prepare him for the ceremony.

The Guards drag Dracula away.

DRACULA

Fools! Unhand me! I command you!

The Guards chain Dracula next to Abraham.

**ABRAHAM** 

Fine parenting.

Dracula hisses at him.

### EXT. MANSION / MAIN ENTRANCE - NIGHT

Vampire Guards (suit and tie) patrol the tree-lined road. Flashing headlights get their attention. The Guards spring into action. Alice and Rose, black hoods over their heads, hands behind their backs, walk towards them.

Fritz, sunglasses, leather jacket like the Terminator, trains a shotgun on the women, approaches the Guards.

LEAD GUARD

I don't believe it.

FRITZ

I leveled up. Are you going to let me through or not?

The Lead Guard eyes Fritz, suspicious, but motions for the Others to open the gate. Just as Fritz and the women are about to pass through, the Lead Guard yanks the hoods off.

Revealing Georgie and André the Coochie Gremlin!

LEAD GUARD

It's a trap!

Georgie removes her shades, eyes flashing red, turning the Lead Guard and a few Others into stone.

Their bodies hit the ground, shatter.

André the Coochie Gremlin hugs a Guard's face, does... stuff... to him as the Guard SCREAMS and his head EXPLODES.

(0\_0) Welp... This is no longer a kid's movie. Sorry, Disney.

GEORGIE

Damn it, André. You're on parole!

André swings his underwear over his head, disappears into the woods. Best. Possible. Outcome. Trust me.

A knife flies past Georgie, nails a Guard in the heart, dusting him.

Bullets pierce through the Last Guard right before she hits the alarm.

Rose and Alice nod to Georgie, enter the gate.

### EXT. MANSION - NIGHT

The Vampire Knights, helmets off save the Leader, stare at a blood moon. It's a quiet, almost spiritual moment.

Flaming arrows suddenly whiz throw the air.

An arrow flies right towards the head of an oblivious Knight.

Another Knight catches it at the last second, smiles smugly.

SMUG KNIGHT

You owe me one.

THWIP!

Flaming arrows puts out his eyes, killing him.

The Knights don their helmets, draw their swords, search for their attackers.

A dozen flaming arrows, throwing stars, and holy hand grenades rain from the night sky.

The Knights block them with their shields. The blasts sends some flying, kills others.

Finally, the malevolent storm ceases.

Dead silence, then...

Creepy giggling.

SCARY VOICES (O.S.)

(singing)

We're gonna get you!

SHRIEKING VAMPIRES and HOWLING WEREWOLVES climb up the mountain. Cackling Witches hover in the air.

LEAD KNIGHT

Hold your positions! We can't let them get to the Queen!

The Lead Knight chops a Vampire's head off, guards the door to the mansion.

BEHIND HIM

GOATface, large mirrored butcher knife and Charlie, Confederate sword raised, charge into battle.

A CACKLING WITCH, aiming a broomstick like a shotgun, takes aim at the Lead Knight, fires. KABOOM! Blows a statue's head off instead. He cuts her down.

Looks up, finds a HIPPY WITCH with another broomstick trained on him. He belts out a war cry, rushes her. KABOOM!

The  $\underline{\text{Lead Knight's helmet}}$ , dust flying out of it, sails into the  $\underline{\text{air}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{lands at Priest's feet}}$ .

### INT. MANSION - NIGHT

Priest slams the door shut, races back to Victoria.

### INT. THRONE ROOM - NIGHT

Victoria places the crown in the center of a sigil on the floor. Priest rushes in, shuts the door.

VICTORIA

What?!

PRIEST

The Van Helsings are here and they brought company.

Abraham looks up, can't help but grin.

VICTORIA

Then kill them! And bring Fritz to me.

PRIEST

Yes, my Queen.

Priest suits up in armor, marches back out. Victoria closes her eyes, composes herself. So close to ultimate power that she can taste it. Fritz, dagger in hand, stands behind her...

### EXT. MANSION - NIGHT

Blood, blades, bodies, and bullets fly.

SISTERS OF MERCY

singing hymns, make the sign of the cross with their swords, then hack and slash Victoria's Knights.

WEREWOLVES

powerful teeth ripping the armor from Knights, crush necks with sickening crunches.

MARCELINE AND NOT SO FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD VAMPIRES

skewer Knights with their wicked claws.

WITCHES

blow Knights away with their broomstick shotguns, cackle.

PUNKINS

crawl into the armor of screaming Knights, devour them.

PUNKINS
Needs more salt! / Mine doesn't! /
Payback is a bitch!

ALICE

dodges multiple Knights' strikes, lights them up with armor piercing bullets.

ROSE

slides under her foes' blows, stabs them through the throat with blades.

SISTER RUTH

smashes through armor and bone like She-Hulk. Sends Knights flying into the pool where they melt.

ROSE

What was that?

SISTER RUTH

Spiked it with holy water.

Priest sneaks up on Georgie, <u>beheads her</u> with a sword. He causally slices and dices monsters, makes a beeline for the sisters. Marceline, samurai sword, steps in front of them.

MARCELINE

Go save your dad. This one's mine.

Alice and Rose race into the mansion.

PRIEST

You're too late.

MARCELINE

We'll see.

PRIEST

Should've played dead, Marcy.

MARCELINE

Should've finished the job.

Marceline raises her blade. Priest gives his own a twirl. They battle, swords singing and sparking as they connect.

### INT. MANSION / THRONE ROOM - NIGHT

A dagger appears against a kneeling Victoria's neck. Dracula and Abraham look on in shock. Victoria smiles at Fritz.

VICTORIA

You've returned! I feared the --

FRITZ

Spare me the false pleasantries.

DRACULA

Untie me, Fritz, and I will take care of my treacherous daughter.

FRITZ

You threw me out like a soiled rag. As for as I'm concerned you can rot.

DRACULA

Obey your master!

FRITZ

I have no master!

VICTORIA

He's his own man. And now we can finally be together.

FRITZ

Do you take me for a fool, m'lady? Everything you have ever done has been for you and you alone!

VICTORIA

Yes. But I could change.

FRITZ

Nay. Always a scorpion you'll stay.

VICTORIA

You know me well, little toady.

Victoria grabs Fritz, flips him over. He scrambles for the dagger.

Victoria grabs it, stabs Fritz in the hand, pinning him to the floor. She pats Fritz down, cruelly teasing him. Finds what she's been looking for: the missing crown piece.

**ABRAHAM** 

No.

DRACULA

Victoria!

Victoria assembles the crown, places it on the sigil.

VICTORIA
That's <u>Queen Victoria</u> to you.
(chanting in Latin)
Hos offero pro vi coronae!

LIFE ESSENCE DRAINS from Abraham and Dracula, who yell in excruciating pain, FLOWS into the crown.

Victoria places it on her head.

Seconds later, Alice and Rose kick the door in. Alice opens fire. At the same time Rose  $\underline{\text{hurls a knife}}$  at Victoria.

The CROWN GLOWS, shielding Victoria from harm.

The mansion RUMBLES. Windows SHATTER, bathing the room in the moon's blood red light.

DARK ENERGY EMANATES from the crown, ENVELOPES Victoria.

The power goes out.

### EXT. MANSION - NIGHT

Marceline and Priest -- in the midst of an epic sword fight -- before she stabs him through the heart, dusts him.

She and Sister Ruth share a look, fearing the worse.

### INT. MANSION - NIGHT

The power kicks back in. No sign of Victoria or the crown.

Dracula and Abraham hang from the walls, motionless.

Alice and Rose cross to Abraham, holding out hope that he's still-- Abraham coughs, locks eyes with his girls. We think it's all over, then --

# VICTORIA

CROWN STICKING OUT OF HER SKULL LIKE HORNS, EYES BLACK VOIDS WITH RED DOTS IN THE CENTER, COVERED IN BLOOD, ROARS.

Alice empties both clips, but the <u>bullets just bounce off</u> Victoria. Rose <u>stabs her</u> and the blades <u>break</u>.

Victoria bats the sisters across the room.

Alice and Rose smash into portraits, hit the ground.

Sister Ruth, Marceline, and the Surviving Monsters rush in. Victoria slaps Dracula awake. When she speaks, it's in the ancient and scary language of MONSTERS, SUBTITLED IN ENGLISH.

VICTORIA (MONSTERISH)

Kneel.

The Monsters kneel. Marceline struggles to fight the command, before ultimately bending the knee. Alice, Rose, Sister Ruth, Abraham, and Dracula look on in horror.

VICTORIA (MONSTERISH) (cont'd)

Kill.

Marceline and the Monsters rise against their will, march towards the sisters and Ruth.

STOMP. STOMP. STOMP.

Frank crashes through the door, mows through the crowd.

FRANK

Sorry I'm late.

Frank SMASHES through the throne, throws a gigantic fist at Victoria, who easily catches it, holds him in the air.

VICTORIA (MONSTERISH)
Guns, knives and a monster crafted by
man? That's the best you've got?
You're looking at a goddess! Kneel
before your queen or be destroyed.

FRANK

Bad knee.

Victoria hurls Frank through the roof.

### EXT. MANSION - NIGHT

Frank lands with a THUD. Doesn't move. Ryder runs to his side, licks his face.

FRANK

Be... good.

Frank pets Ryder, closes his eyes. Ryder WHIMPERS.

#### INT. MANSION - NIGHT

With no options left, Alice loads the magic bullet into a gun, eyes Rose. No time for long speeches or even a hug.

This is goodbye.

Alice aims, but Victoria's there in a flash.

CRACK! She breaks Alice's hands.

Alice, running on adrenaline, kicks the gun to Rose, who looks at it, hesitant.

Victoria rips off Alice's tie, tears her shirt collar open, exposing her neck. Runs a claw down it, <u>drawing blood</u>.

VICTORIA (MONSTERISH)
Death's too good for you Van Helsings.
You'll be my knights for eternity.
Yearning to obey my every command!

**ABRAHAM** 

No!

Rose picks up the gun, steadies her hand. The sisters, both in tears, share a smile, accepting their fate.

ALICE

Love ya forever.

ROSE

Back at ya.

Victoria rears back to bite Alice.

BANG! Rose pulls the trigger.

The <u>magic bullet leaves the gun in SLOW MOTION</u>, ZIPS just past Alice. SLAMS into Victoria's forehead.

The RECOIL whips all three women backwards.

Abraham looks for any sign of movement.

A breathless, agonizing beat later...

Victoria stirs, rising with an evil grin.

Abraham's eyes well with tears.

Then something catches Victoria's eye...

Alice. Still alive.

But not for long. Victoria starts after her. Stops. Notices light shining from a split in her palm.

White shimmering veins spread up her arms, across her skin.

She opens her mouth, utters a DEATH WAIL.

Victoria catches Dracula's eye before she's <u>consumed in white</u> <u>light</u>, <u>leaving nothing behind but the CROWN</u>.

THE CROWN

shoots out of the Frank sized hole in the roof, breaking
apart once more -- pieces scattering to who knows where...

Marceline and the Monsters regain control.

Alice cries beside Rose. Sister Ruth BREAKS Abraham's chains, helps him over to them. He brushes Rose's hair. She groans.

ROSE (cont'd)

Did we win?

Rose opens her eyes. Alice and Abraham hug her.

ALICE

Close enough.

ROSE

How?

HAZEL

Perhaps a willing, selfless sacrifice is non-fatal to the shooter. Or it's simpler than that. A miracle.

Dracula, youth and strength restored, breaks his chains.

DRACULA

The curse is broken!

The Van Helsings -- guns and knives drawn -- and Sister Ruth stand off against Dracula and a few monsters at his side.

DRACULA (cont'd)

I will find the crown once more, but tonight, Professor, you and your beloved children shall die!

Marceline punches Dracula out, holds a sword to his neck.

MARCELINE

There's been enough killing for one night. Let's bury our dead and mourn.

The Monsters look at one another, back down, exit. Alice and Rose lower their guns. Abraham still trains his on Dracula.

**ABRAHAM** 

What about him?

MARCELINE

I'm taking him some place far away where he can't hurt anyone else.

ABRAHAM

Hell?

DRACULA

That would be preferable to you nipping at my heels for all eternity.

MARCELINE

Dad, shut up.

Abraham looks at his daughters, back at Dracula, lowers his gun. Vampires pull Dracula up, bound Dracula's wrists, lead him away. Marceline lays down her sword.

MARCELINE (cont'd) (to the Van Helsings) One of these days -- or nights -we'll meet again. I hope we find ourselves on the same side.

**ABRAHAM** 

Me too.

Marceline gives them a salute, exits. Fritz struggles to pry his hands free from the dagger.

FRITZ Pardon me? If it's not too much trouble I could use some assistance.

Sister Ruth yanks the dagger out. Fritz whimpers.

FRITZ (cont'd) A thousand thanks, m'lady.

SISTER RUTH You may address me as Sister.

FRITZ As you wish, Sister.

The Van Helsings and Sister Ruth head for the exit.

So what now?

SISTER RUTH I'll rebuild. Find new recruits. The crown, those scrolls from Heaven... There's no telling what else may be out there. Waiting to be discovered by the wrong people.

Fritz catches up to them.

FRITZ

I've been doing a lot of reflecting...

SISTER RUTH

And?

FRITZ

Would it be possible for me to assist with that? I have countless, er, connections on speed dial. I'd really like to atone for my many misdeeds.

SISTER RUTH

I'm listening.

### EXT. MANSION - NIGHT

The Van Helsings stand by the Chevelle, watch the monsters depart and church van drive away.

ALICE

Never thought I'd see the day you'd let Dracula walk.

ABRAHAM

Marceline's keeping an eye on him. If you hadn't stopped me from killing her... I've been doing some reflecting too. My pursuit of him's consumed my life, your lives for far too long.

He smiles at his girls.

ABRAHAM (cont'd)
Some things are more important than revenge. I messed up. With both of you. I can't change what happened, but if you're willing to give your old man another shot...

Alice and Rose hug Abraham.

FRANK (O.S.)

Ain't that sweet?

Ryder barks. They look up, see Frank holding him.

ROSE

I thought you took a vow?

FRANK

Made an exception.

ABRAHAM

Frankenstein's --

FRANK

-- Just Frank. Abraham Van Helsing. Nice to meet another living legend. World's still spinning. At least until the next freak. I'd say it's been fun, but... I'm off. Past Ryder's bedtime.

Frank hugs Ryder, stomps off into the night.

ROSI

Pancakes? I know just the place.

Alice raises her broken hands.

ALICE

Hospital first. And if you're talking about Angel's I'm pretty sure we're banned for life.

ROSE

Maybe it's a franchise?

Alice stares at Rose a beat.

**ABRAHAM** 

Who has the keys?

ROSE

I do! I'll drive!

**ABRAHAM** 

Shotgun.

ALICE

(a second too late)

Shotgun.

Rose climbs behind the wheel. Abraham shrugs, gets in the passenger seat. Alice sighs, sits in the back.

# INT. ANGEL'S / SECOND LOCATION - DAY

The Van Helsings, looking out of sorts as they enjoy a quiet Sunday breakfast. Alice, hands bandaged, struggles to open a bottle of pain meds. Abraham opens them for her, adds sugar to his coffee. Rose puts bacon and eggs on her pancakes, making a face. That she then destroys with a knife and fork.

SERVERS nervously stare at them from the counter.

ABRAHAM

How about a road trip?

ROSE

Vegas! No, Finland! No, Colorado! You pick. I can't decide.

ALICE

Grand Canyon.

Alice pops pain meds.

ABRAHAM

We'll do them all.

ROSE

No monsters?

**ABRAHAM** 

No monsters.

# EXT. ANGEL'S / INT. CHEVELLE - DAY

Hazel's cross necklace hangs from the rearview mirror. Rose, at the wheel, touches it, smiles. Suddenly, music blasts from the radio. Alice dances. Rose and Abraham are in shock.

ROSE

You okay, Alice?

ALICE

Vacation Alice.

Alice sings along to the radio, busts a move.

ABRAHAM Are you high?

ALICE

(smiling)

Yeah.

The Chevelle's <u>engine revs</u>, then it and the Van Helsings race panther-like down the street, revealing a vanity plate:

# **INFAMY**

The Chevelle passes a SQUAD CAR. Rhames and Lin sit inside.

LIN

Nice wheels.

RHAMES

Yeah. Ready to get back in the saddle?

LIN

Hey, it's day shift. What's the worst that could happen?

The MONSTER TRUCK speeds past, tires SQUEALING.

Three Naked Pig Men man the wheel. GOATface, André the Coochie Gremlin, and Hippy Witches chug Hennessy in the back.

LIN (CONT'D) (cont'd) The hell was driving that truck?!

RHAMES

I didn't see nothing!

Another Hippy Witch, riding a MOTORCYCLE straight off the assembly line from Hell, Charlie hugging onto her back with a psychotic grin, throws a peace sign, rides past.

Lin and Rhames looks at each other a beat.

LIN

Donuts?

RHAMES

Donuts.

As the Officers speed in the opposite direction --

SNAP TO BLACK.

# THE END