## **| Claim |** David Cruz-Quiroz

To the brown boy I met at work with the oatmeal brown eyes, curly-ish hair, sadness in his smile, and the heavy scent of closet craving to be liberated,

Your love was prophesied by a palm reader, a corn man I met down Bromont Avenue the summer I started my first-gen career.

My first-gen career, in my first-gen shoes and suit.

With my first-gen love in my pocket, wrapped in tinfoil.



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## I rescue my time

- 01. When you'd call me drunk at 2 a.m.
- 02. Facetime cuz you wanted to show me your straight cock
- 03. Our swim around Pacoima beautiful, visiting old houses we called homes
- 04. Long walks on the Hansen Dam
- 05. Sweating with you at 24 while your girl cleans the glass house you rented for her
- 06. Sucking you in my new black car

You are too cheap for my homosexual love too cheap for her heterosexual love Here's the bill, pay up.

> Total: <del>LOVE</del> <del>QUEER</del> <del>me + you – repressed fags</del>

With this sentence,

I rescue my time

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