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INT. LEVY MANSION - BASEMENT (1996) - DAY

GREEN DAY'S "WECOME TO PARADISE" BLASTS AND WE ARE BACK IN ANY BASEMENT IN THE UPPER CLASS SUBURBS IN 1996! THE WALLS ARE COVERED WITH ABSOLUT ADS AND SONIC THE HEDGEHOG IS PAUSED ON A BIG SCREEN TV. OUR HERO, YOUNG DAVE, A 15-YEAR-OLD PROBLEM-SOLVER SINCE BIRTH, SITS ON A SHARPER IMAGE MASSAGE CHAIR AND EXCITEDLY LACES UP HIS BRAND NEW ROLLERBLADES.

YOUNG DAVE (singing)

... I want to take you through a

wasteland I like to call my home.
 (air drums like a boss)

Welcome to paradise!

AS HE HEAD BANGS HIS SISTER YOUNG JOANNA, 17, COOLER THAN YOU AND ALWAYS ANNOYED BY DYED PINK HAIR, STORMS IN.

YOUNG JOANNA

Dave! Turn it down! I can't even hear myself think.

YOUNG DAVE

Then think somewhere else! Punk rock is how I get pumped for blading!

YOUNG JOANNA

First of all, there's no way to get pumped for blading! And secondly, just have Mom and Dad buy you another hobby!

YOUNG JOANNA (CONT'D)

Whatever! They buy you everything and then say you're the best at whatever they just bought you!

YOUNG DAVE

Not true!

JUST THEN YOUNG LINDA (EVERYTHING FRAN DRESCHER IS IN LOOKS, SOUND, AND VIBE) ENTERS, EXCITED.

YOUNG LINDA

Stop prepping for the X games that you're definitely gonna win and come see what we bought you!

YOUNG JOANNA

Ugh! Why does Dave always get stuff?

YOUNG LINDA

What are you talking about Joanna? We just got you a horse for Hanukkah.

YOUNG JOANNA

Oh right. I really should ride Moshe soon.

THEY FOLLOW AN EXCITED LINDA UPSTAIRS.

EXT. ELLIOT AND LINDA'S MANSION - CONTINUOUS

YOUNG DAVE, STILL ON ROLLERBLADES, AWKWARDLY SKATES OUT WITH JOANNA AND LINDA TO FIND HIS DAD, YOUNG ELLIOT, (ENERGETIC, ALWAYS TAN, JEWISH TONY DANZA) STANDING PROUDLY IN FRONT OF A BMW WITH A RIBBON AROUND IT.

YOUNG ELLIOT

Dave, since it's almost time for you to drive... this is yours!

YOUNG JOANNA

Really? He gets 300 horse power and I get one dumb donkey?!

DAVE HAPPILY SKATES TOWARD THE CAR AND CHECKS IT OUT.

YOUNG DAVE

Thanks! This is so awesome! But you really didn't have to do this.

LINDA

Of course we did.

YOUNG ELLIOT

We're your parents bud, and we've been really fortunate. Things have been going well for a long time.

HARD CUT TO:

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S HOUSE - 22 YEARS LATER

TIGHT ON ELLIOT.

ELLIOT

Things have not been going well for a long time.

WE PULL OUT TO REVEAL ELLIOT AND LINDA SITTING ACROSS THE TABLE FROM DAVE AND HIS WIFE REBECCA, (COMPASSIONATE, FUNNY, AND AS ADORABLE AS SHE IS ORGANIZED) AND JOANNA AT THEIR WEEKLY FAMILY DINNER. THE DYNAMICS ARE THE SAME BUT EVERYONE IS OLDER, A LITTLE TIRED, AND JOANNA IS OUT OF THE CLOSET.

DAVE AND REBECCA'S KIDS, JONAH (5, WANTS TO BE A MAGICIAN) AND HAZEL (3, WANTS TO BE A CUPCAKE) RUN AROUND THE HOUSE DESTROYING IT PER USUAL. THE MOOD IS PRETTY TENSE AS DAVE, REBECCA, AND JOANNA PROCESS THE NEWS.

DAVE

Now, when you say "things haven't been going well" what exactly do you mean?

ELLIOT

Financially we're in a teeny bit of trouble.

LINDA

We're dead broke.

DAVE

But how is this possible? Growing up

Mom drove a Range Rover and we had a

second fridge exclusively for Snapple!

REBECCA

And didn't you guys <u>just</u> get back from Cabo?

LINDA

Yes. The Adilmans let us use their time share in exchange for showing them how to use Instagram.

JOANNA

But you don't even know how to use Instagram!

LINDA

When the Adilmans found that out, they were not happy. Apparently I need to be on Facebook? Can you sign me up?

DAVE (INCREDULOUS)

I already did.

LINDA

You're such a tech genius. I tell all my friends there's an app coming from your big brain in the future!

DAVE

I appreciate your support in a business I'm not in and have no plans to get into, but can we please focus on the real issue here?! How are you out of money?!

ELLIOT

Well we didn't have health insurance and your mother's knee surgery a few months ago was not cheap.

JOANNA

Obviously, Dad! It's surgery!

ELLIOT

Turns out, the death of TV is really killing my "as seen on TV" business. And sadly, edible coasters don't sell themselves.

DAVE

(TO SELF, TRYING TO PROCESS)

Man, how did I not see this coming?

REBECCA

Um. Can we go back to the part where you said you didn't have health insurance?

LINDA

I know it might sound crazy, but health insurance is very expensive these days and we take really good care of ourselves. Daddy doesn't eat red meat.

ELLIOT

I'm mostly eating coasters.

LINDA

And I spin twice a week with Lisa Gomberg.

(MORE)

LINDA (CONT'D)

I guess I spun too much because I tore my ACL and needed surgery. I overspun.

DAVE AND REBECCA LOOK TO EACH OTHER PERPLEXED.

DAVE

You overspun?

LINDA

I overspun.

ELLIOT

She overspun.

LINDA

Who knew?

JOANNA ROLLS HER EYES, ANNOYED AT HER PARENTS.

JOANNA

Doctors probably. Surgeons too. People that have insurance...

DAVE

So what happens now?

ELLIOT

Well because of this damn medical bill, we've gotten behind on some other bills like Amex, Mom's Us Weekly subscription. And the mortgage.

Which we haven't paid in a few months.

LINDA

Luckily, I was able to put the Us Weekly on hold. But I still can't stop using the Amex at Zappos. You know me, I heart shoes.

DAVE (TO REBECCA)

Now that I'm thinking about it, there were actually so many signs.
(TO ELLIOT)

Are you guys gonna lose the house?

ELLIOT

The bank thinks so. But no need to stress because we have a plan! We're gonna downsize and sell the house before the bank takes it.

REBECCA

But will selling the house be enough to pay off the entire bill?

LINDA

Well, after Dave works his magic and upgrades and renovates it will!

He's insanely talented! Everyone's talking about it.

DAVE (PUTTING THIS TOGETHER)

You want me to flip your house?

LINDA

Why would I ask anyone else?

JOANNA

Okay, so just to be clear, you want

Dave to take time out of his busy
schedule and reno our childhood home,
because you were financially
irresponsible and <u>I</u> don't have to do
anything? Love it! Have fun with
that, Dave!

JOANNA WALKS OFF TO PLAY WITH THE KIDS AS THEY CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THEIR PLAN.

LINDA

I know it sounds like a lot but do you think you'll have time to help us out, beauty? Or is work too busy?

DAVE

I mean, I'm always busy...

REBECCA

But you're his parents. And you've always been there for him, so now it's our turn to be there for you.

DAVE (to Rebecca)

Really?

REBECCA

Of course!

LINDA

Aw you two are the best!

REBECCA

We really are. (then slight panic)

Small thing though...

(MORE)

REBECCA (CONT'D)

while he renovates the house, where do you plan on living?

DAVE

Maybe I don't need to renovate at all.

I mean, it's just a house. We should sell it and cash out. It's almost paid off, right?

ELLIOT

It was, but a few years ago we pulled out most of the equity to pay for that trip to Africa.

LINDA

Beautiful continent. It's where it all started. Humanity and our financial woes.

REBECCA

You spent all your money to see
Africa, when you can't afford America?

LINDA

Beautiful continent. Have you seen our pics?

DAVE

Yes. One thousand times.

REBECCA

I can't remember the last picture I saw that wasn't from your trip to Africa.

DAVE

Okay, since that's not an option I'll talk to Aram and see if he and I could renovate it quickly.

REBECCA

Yeah. So again, you'll need a place to stay. Please tell me this part was planned out? Maybe?

ELLIOT

We thought about that.

REBECCA (relieved)

Oh good.

LINDA

Which is why we're wondering, if it would be possible to stay with you guys while we renovate?

REBECCA

(TO SELF)

Oh no.

ELLIOT HEADS INTO THE OTHER ROOM.

DAVE

Oh um...

DAVE LOOKS TO REBECCA. HE KNOWS SHE WON'T BE ON BOARD. BUT LINDA STARES AT HER AND AFTER AN AWKWARD BEAT...

REBECCA (KEEPING IT TOGETHER)

Of course! Like I said, we're here to help. Just don't eat all my fiber yogurts. I need those!

DAVE

Really?

LINDA

Thank you so much! But we knew you'd say yes.

LINDA WRAPS THEM IN A HUG AS ELLIOT RE-ENTERS WITH BAGS.

ELLIOT

We sure did! (THEN)

Now if you need me I'll be in my

office taking my medicine!

ELLIOT PULLS A BONG OUT OF HIS BAG AND HEADS TO THE BATHROOM. AS DAVE LOOKS TO REBECCA THINKING THEY MADE A HORRIBLE MISTAKE WE...

END OF COLD OPEN

ACT ONE

INT. MASTER BEDROOM - NIGHT

DAVE AND REBECCA WATCH HANDMAID'S TALE IN BED.

DAVE

Thanks again for letting my parents stay here. I know it's not ideal for you or me or our children or anyone.

REBECCA

Look, your parents don't respect boundaries, but besides the fact that I will fight a stranger over a free sample, I think I'm pretty chill.

DAVE

Totally. You're chill in a "very not chill" kinda way. And I so love that about you.

REBECCA

Just promise me we don't let this turn into the time they tented their house for termites and stayed here for one day which then turned into three.

Which then turned into us hosting a mahjong festival.

DAVE

It won't. I promise. But I just have to support them right now. They've supported me through everything but my nose ring.

REBECCA

That seemed like a confusing time for you. But you're right, your parents gave you this absurd confidence that just gets you whatever you want. It's like The Secret, which is ironic because they can't keep one.

DAVE

I mean, my Mom's the one who said I should start a renovation business even though my only experience was watching HGTV and yelling at the screen. But if it weren't for her saying that, I never would have actually done it.

REBECCA

It's sweet, but it would be nice if some of that support spilled over to me?

DAVE

What are you talking about? She's super supportive of you.

REBECCA

Really? Have you heard her talk about my cooking? She's told me to get Blue Apron more than all of the podcasts I listen to combined.

DAVE

I know and that's not great, but the good news is, while they're here they can babysit and we can go to that Drake concert this weekend.

REBECCA

I don't think that's a good idea.

Last time they babysat it was a fullon nightmare.

DAVE

I know. But I'll tell my dad no weed 'til after bed time and my mom that Fifty Shades of Grey is not kid friendly.

REBECCA

Look, if you really wanna see Drake, find a sitter. Who's not your parents.

(THEN)

I just don't understand how they even ended up in this situation.

DAVE

I don't think they meant to. But I gotta say, it's very upsetting having to parent your parents. Almost as upsetting as watching Handsmaid's Tale.

(RE: TV)

Why do we keep watching this!

REBECCA

Because it wins awards and the only other stuff we watch is competitive baking shows.

(HORRIFIED)

Oh no!

THEY BOTH QUICKLY TURN AWAY FROM THE SCREEN.

REBECCA (CONT'D)

How fast do you think you'll be able to reno their house?

DAVE

Hopefully I can be in and out in eight weeks.

REBECCA

Eight weeks?! That's as long as summer camp. Can you do it any faster? I just don't want them to get in the way of my new routine. After three years and one fit bit, I'm finally getting back to the gym.

DAVE

I think you look great!

REBECCA

Thanks, but you have to say that.

Just please try to get the reno going sooner than later.

DAVE

I will. I was texting with Aram and we're gonna do a walk through tomorrow with our crew and start demo.

THEY TURN BACK TO THE TV BUT GET IMMEDIATELY HORRIFIED AGAIN.

REBECCA / DAVE

GAH! / WHY MAKE THIS SHOW!

THEY TURN THEIR HEADS BACK AWAY IN DISGUST.

REBECCA

Good. I'm happy to help, I just can't have them in my personal space for too long.

DAVE

I know... but since we're putting them up I'm sure they'll be respectful while they're here.

JUST THEN LINDA POPS IN WITHOUT KNOCKING.

LINDA

Ooooh! She jumps off the bridge in this episode. It's intense.

DAVE

Mom! You always spoil our shows!

LINDA

I'm sorry. But you should have known about the John Snow thing. Game of Thrones has been on for a hundred years.

REBECCA

How is this our fault?

JUST THEN ELLIOT ENTERS STONED, EATING SNACKS OUT OF A BACKPACK.

ELLIOT

Hey, do you two have any real soda?

DAVE

Dad! That's our earthquake kit.

ELLIOT

I was wondering why the cliff bars were stored with the flash lights.

DAVE PAUSES THE TV AND LOOKS TO HIS MOM ANNOYED.

DAVE

I'm sorry. What did you want to chat about?

LINDA

Well, we think we may have found an easier way to pay down our bill without selling the house...

DAVE

Really? There's not much time. Your only other option at this point is armed robbery. And your obsession with turn signals makes you a terrible get-away driver.

LINDA

I'm serious David, we have a plan.
We're gonna start a GoFundMe page like
everyone on the internet.

DAVE

Oh no.

ELLIOT

Oh yes. Your mom showed me one guy on that site who raised four hundred thousand dollars after getting paralyzed serving in Iraq.

REBECCA

Yeah, but that's a story of an American hero, you guys are just irresponsible baby boomers.

LINDA

Well, there's other less heroic stories too like this girl who raised 80,000 dollars because she was color blind in Miami and needed special glasses to see blue.

DAVE

I'm sure, but selling the house makes the most sense. Plus Aram is meeting me tomorrow and we're hoping to start demo. I think it's the best way.

LINDA

Well, you're insanely talented and everyone talks about it so I bet you're right.

ELLIOT TAKES A GLOW STICK OUT OF THE EARTHQUAKE KIT AND CRACKS IT, THEN TURNS OFF THE LIGHT.

ELLIOT

Oooh. Glow-y.

DAVE REBECCA

DAD! ELLIOT!

LINDA AND ELLIOT RUSH OUT AS ANNOYED REBECCA LOOKS TO DAVE.

REBECCA (CONT'D)

Okay. They can't stay here long.

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S KITCHEN - DAY

REBECCA IN WORK OUT CLOTHES GOES THROUGH THE FRIDGE TAKING INVENTORY AND MAKING A GROCERY LIST AS ELLIOT GOES THROUGH THE FRIDGE AND DOESN'T NOTICE HE IS STILL TOTALLY IN HER WAY.

REBECCA

Elliot, did you eat an entire box of the kids' Gushers?

ELLIOT

Are those the fruit snack thingies?

REBECCA

Yes.

ELLIOT

The ones with the fruit juice in the middle?

REBECCA

Yep.

ELLIOT

In the blue box?

REBECCA

Uh-huh.

ELLIOT

Nope. Wasn't me. Okay it was. I'm sorry. It's just a little weird not being in my own place and being able to eat my own food. Plus all you and Dave eat is hummus, dried fruit and dark chocolate. Which, for the record, is not chocolate.

REBECCA

We also have chia seeds. (CHECKING FRIDGE)

Wait, actually we're out. Sorry but
I'm trying to cut sugar and lose the
rest of this baby weight. I guess
toddler weight. Fine, they're full on
kids now, but I'm working on it!

ELLIOT

I didn't say anything.

REBECCA

Look, why don't you just make a list of your favorite sugary snacks and I'll do a run for you later?

ELLIOT

I'd really appreciate that.

ELLIOT SMILES AT REBECCA AS DAVE ENTERS, FRUSTRATED.

DAVE

Why is it so hard to find a babysitter in this town?

REBECCA

Still nothing?

DAVE

It's insane!

REBECCA

And Joanna can't do it?

DAVE

No, she's going to the march. It's not the women's march, but there will be a lot of women there.

REBECCA

Ugh! I hate people in their thirties with free time!

DAVE

Seriously. I finally confirmed with a friend of hers and then an hour later she texts back:

(READING TEXT)

Sorry. Frowny face. I decided to sign up for a Tough Mudder! Hashtag SET GOALS SMASH THEM!

REBECCA

What does that even mean?

DAVE

No idea. I hate people who wanna exercise in mud! Like, why do that? You're not pigs!

REBECCA

I know! (THEN)

Any update from Aram about the reno timeline?

DAVE

We're meeting in an hour.

REBECCA

Perf. Handle that. Then handle the sitter.

ELLIOT COMES UP FROM POKING AROUND IN THE FRIDGE.

ELLIOT

Guys, if you need a sitter, we're here. Why not just let us do it?

DAVE

Oh, you know. Cause it's gonna be a late concert and you guys go to bed before we'll be leaving.

ELLIOT

Trust me, we can handle a long night.

That was every night with you and your sister.

REBECCA

I'm sure, but we also like to give work to teens who know to lie about smoking pot on the job.

ELLIOT

Well, just so you know, the offer's there. We're not teens, but we are responsible adults.

ELLIOT SPOTS SOMETHING IN THE FRIDGE AS DAVE LOOKS TO REBECCA WHO CONSIDERS THIS.

ELLIOT (CONT'D)

Ooh, the last Capri Sun! Score!

HE GRABS IT AND EXITS AS A FRUSTRATED REBECCA LOOKS TO DAVE.

INT. ELLIOT AND LINDA'S HOUSE - BASEMENT DAY

DAVE, HIS BUSINESS PARTNER, ARAM (30S, GOOD-LOOKING, FAST TALKING, AND PROBABLY HOOKED UP WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND) AND LINDA BEGIN THE WALK-THROUGH OF DAVE'S CHILDHOOD HOME.

A CREW FOLLOWS THEM AND PREPS DEMO. ARAM TAKES MEASUREMENTS AS DAVE TELLS HIM THE PLAN.

DAVE

So I'm thinking with the basement and honestly everything else in the house, the cheapest way to flip this is to put down vinyl plank flooring.

LINDA

David, I don't want vinyl down here.

DAVE

Mom, it's not for you. You're leaving the house. So Aram, today we can start by ripping out all the floors upstairs. We can install new appliances in the kitchen next week, but I don't think we'll need to move any structures. A fresh coat of paint will go a long way in here.

HEARING THESE RENO PLANS, LINDA STARTS TO GET EMOTIONAL.

ARAM

I love the energy bro bro. But we can also turn this place into the ultimate man cave! Boom! Flames!

DAVE

No.

ARAM

Hear me out: We install glass stairs and make this a movie theater. We then add a dope sneaker closet in the corner. And replace this terrible carpet and put down leather floors.

Boom! Flames!

LINDA

David I don't want leather floors down here.

ARAM

(RE: WALL)

And this is where we have our

retractable DJ table! Boom! Flames!

DAVE

Aram, no DJ's want to live this close to a JCC.

LINDA

Why? It's a wonderful community.

DAVE

That is true. Now, let's go check out upstairs and I'll tell you my plan for the bathrooms.

THE CREW NODS AND FOLLOWS ARAM AND DAVE BUT LINDA LINGERS.

DAVE (CONT'D)

Mom? You coming?

SHE TAKES IN THE ROOM, AND BECOMES OVERWHELMED WITH EMOTION. DAVE NOTICES AND WALKS OVER TO HER.

DAVE (CONT'D)

Everything okay?

LINDA

Yeah.

DAVE

Are you sure?

LINDA

Not really. I guess I was so concerned about selling the house I didn't think about how sad I was gonna be to leave it.

DAVE TRIES TO COMFORT HER.

DAVE

I know. But it's the only way we're gonna pay down your bill...

LINDA NODS AND WALKS UP TO JOANNA'S GAUDY BAT MITZVAH SIGN LAYING AGAINST THE WALL.

LINDA

I forgot Joanna's Bat Mitzvah theme
was BARBIE.
(LAUGHING)

She was so into girly things back then.

DAVE

I think she's even more into girly things now. You don't get any girlier than a vagina.

LINDA (LAUGHING)

You're so bad.

FEELING NOSTALGIC, LINDA OPENS THE CLOSET DOOR. SHE POINTS TO PENCIL MARKS CHARTING THE GROWTH OF DAVE AND JOANNA.

LINDA (CONT'D)

You remember your childhood growth chart? Seems like yesterday.

DAVE

I was obsessed with being a little bit taller. Especially during my Skee-lo phase.

LINDA PICKS UP DAVE'S DUSTY NEON ROLLERBLADES FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE CLOSET AND HANDS THEM TO HIM.

LINDA

You were even more obsessed with this phase.

DAVE (EXAMINING THE BLADES)

Man, even though everyone at school called me rollerbitch and I pulled my left glute trying to rail slide into the basement, you convinced me I was gonna win a gold medal.

LINDA

And for good reason. You were always very talented <u>and</u> bright. Everyone was talking about it.

DAVE

No. No one was. I was a dumb teenager with frosted tips who dated a girl named Kate who spelled her name with the number eight. It was not great.

LINDA SMILES AS DAVE WALKS AROUND THE BASEMENT REMINISCING ABOUT ALL THE GREAT AND DUMB TIMES HE HAD IN THIS SPACE.

DAVE (CONT'D)

She broke my heart.

LINDA

I remember. You didn't leave your room for a week. It was saddest you've been since you found out Macauley Culkin divorced his parents.

DAVE

That hurt me in a real way. But you totally got me out of that slump when you surprised me down here with my friends.

(MORE)

DAVE (CONT'D)

I can't believe you had them all stand up and list reasons why I was better than Keight.

LINDA

It was easy. You're a gift and she had a damn number in her name.

DAVE

That night turned out to be the best! Except when we all got drunk on Zima. That was the worst. I threw up all night.

SHE POINTS TO A STAIN ACROSS THE ROOM.

LINDA

We never got that stain out.

DAVE SMILES AT HER AS HE WALKS OVER AND STARES DOWN AT THIS GROSS CARPET. HE IS SUDDENLY OVERTAKEN BY EMOTION.

DAVE

Who knew all this Zima and vomit talk would get me so choked up?

DAVE THEN LOOKS AROUND THE ROOM TAKING IT ALL IN AND THEN BACK AT LINDA. AFTER A BEAT...

DAVE (CONT'D)

Man, I'm really gonna miss this place.

It's more than just a house.

LINDA

I know... but maybe there's a world where my GoFundMe idea could work.

DAVE

I don't know mom...

LINDA

And if it doesn't, we'll just go back to your plan. Whattya say?

DAVE

(considering)

I say... I can get behind that.

DAVE SMILES AS LINDA WRAPS HIM IN A HUG.

DAVE (CONT'D)

I'll go tell Aram to hold off on the demo.

JUST THEN LOUD DEMO-ING STARTS UPSTAIRS.

DAVE (CONT'D)

You know what? You needed new floors anyway.

DAVE GOES UPSTAIRS AS A DETERMINED LINDA HEADS OUT TO MAKE HER VIDEO.

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S DEN - DAY

ELLIOT STANDS BEHIND A CAMERA ON A TRIPOD PLUGGED INTO A LAPTOP. LINDA SITS ON THE COUCH POSING FOR THE CAMERA.

LINDA

How does my hair look?

ELLIOT

Good, but mess it up a bit. We need people to see how badly we need their help.

LINDA

Smart.

LINDA SHAKES OUT HER HAIR AND LOOKS TO CAMERA.

ELLIOT

And rolling!

LINDA

Hi, the Facebook friends. I'm Linda and I am a loving wife and a mother to two wonderful kids. Especially my David. He's a beauty. Since birth he's always had the cutest smile and the sexiest lips.

ELLIOT STARTS GIGGLING.

LINDA (CONT'D)

Elliot! Are you stoned?

ELLIOT

It helps with my anxiety.

AS LINDA CONTINUES AND BECAUSE ELLIOT IS STONED, THEY DON'T NOTICE REBECCA COMING OUT OF HER BATHROOM IN HER TOWEL AND CROSS THE FRAME TO CLOSE THE DOOR OF HER BEDROOM. HOWEVER AS SHE CROSSES THE FRAME TO THE DOOR HER TOWEL DROPS AND SHE IS TOTALLY NUDE ON CAMERA.

ELLIOT (CONT'D)

Lin, why don't we just jump right into your knee surgery and our medical bill? Oh and mess your hair up a little more.

LINDA

Smart!

CUT TO:

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S DEN - MOMENTS LATER

LINDA

Due to my torn ACL and knee surgery, my son David is letting us live with him while he fixes up our house. He's very talented. Everyone is talking about it. He's such a mensch.

(MORE)

LINDA (CONT'D)

I think because I breastfed him for two years. Side bar: Breastfeeding is better than sex.

ELLIOT

Lin, I've told you before, this is very upsetting information.

CUT TO:

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S DEN - MOMENTS LATER

LINDA

Now, David was always very sporty, and he loved to go zooming around on his blades. I guess that's what ultimately inspired me to start taking spinning classes. Which is how I injured my knee...

ELLIOT

Maybe show the camera your knee scar for sympathy? And how it now bends weird?

SHE LIFTS UP HER PANT LEG TO SHOW HER SCAR AS A TOPLESS REBECCA CLOSES HER BEDROOM DOOR, UNAWARE THEY ARE FILMING.

LINDA (RE: SCAR)

See, this scar is from my surgery. But there is a bigger scar on my life now that I can't afford to live it.

Thanks for listening and donating lots of money to my GoFundMe. Thank you.

(TO ELLIOT)

How did all that sound?

ELLIOT

I haven't seen many of these GoFundMe videos, but I can't imagine a better one.

LINDA

Perfect answer. Now upload it! ELLIOT NODS AND QUICKLY UPLOADS IT TO THE SITE.

ELLIOT

Done! Now if you'll excuse me I'm gonna grab some Gushers. They help with my anxiety meds.

HE HEADS TO THE KITCHEN WHILE LINDA SMILES PROUDLY AS WE...

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

INT. PUPPY CUT - DAY

DAVE STANDS AT THE COUNTER OF JOANNA'S PUPPY GROOMING STORE. SHE ABSENT-MINDEDLY BLOW DRIES A GOLDEN DOODLE ON A TABLE.

JOANNA

Why would you EVER tell Mom it was a good idea to do a GoFundMe video?!

DAVE

Look, I know they can be a handful-JOANNA

No. This dumb dog is a handful, they're a nightmare.

DAVE

But they're our parents. They gave us everything we wanted when we were kids and being in that basement, memories just came flooding back. You would've gotten emotional too.

JOANNA

I don't think so, dude. My only
memories from that basement are
getting stoned on Dad's old people
weed and making out with your
girlfriends.
(then)

Did you find a babysitter for the concert?

DAVE

Kinda. We're gonna have Mom and Dad
do it.

JOANNA

And Rebecca's okay with leaving them alone with your kids?

DAVE

Well she hasn't fully committed yet.

But she will. She has to.

JOANNA TIES A LITTLE PINK BOW AROUND THE GOLDEN DOODLE.

JOANNA

Isn't it funny that my life is nonstop
cute dogs and hot lesbians and your
life is just children and parents who
act like children?
 (THEN)

Anyways, I really need to focus here.

I have three Beagles to tend to.

DAVE

Fun talk.

JOANNA SCOOPS UP THREE VERY DIRTY BEAGLES AND PLACES THEM ON THE COUNTER AS DAVE HEADS OUT.

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S HOUSE - DAY

DAVE ENTERS THE HOUSE TO DISCOVER FULL CHAOS! ELLIOT IS ON THE COUCH WITH JONAH EATING CANDY AND LAUGHING AT CARTOONS. REBECCA CARRIES A HYSTERICAL HAZEL AND HANDS HER TO DAVE.

REBECCA

Your daughter has been crying for two hours because she can't find her favorite "princess shoes". I wanna kick Walt Disney in the dick.

REBECCA HEADS TO HER BEDROOM AND HAZEL LOOKS UP TO DAVE.

HAZEL

(crying)

I can't wear my Elsa heels with my

Anna dress!

DAVE SWIFTLY BRINGS HAZEL OVER TO LINDA WHO IS FACETIMING LISA GOMBERG AND HEADS TO THE BEDROOM.

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S BEDROOM - DAY

REBECCA LAYS ON THE BED TEXTING WHEN DAVE ENTERS WITH A PLAN.

DAVE

Oh my God! This house is a disaster!

REBECCA

I know. Crap is everywhere. It looks

like someone burglarized the set of

Double Dare.

DAVE

We gotta go to the concert tomorrow.

REBECCA

Did you book a sitter?

DAVE

No but I'm making an executive

decision. We're leaving the kids with

my parents and we're gonna go have

some fun! Alone.

REBECCA

But--

DAVE

But nothing. It will be fine. My parents can babysit.

REBECCA

I don't know--

JUST THEN A BELLIGERENT HAZEL RUNS IN SCREAMING!

HAZEL

MOMMY I CAN'T FIND MY RAINBOW TUTU!

FIND IT! FIND IT! FIND IT!

REBECCA LOOKS TO DAVE AND FINALLY GIVES IN.

REBECCA

I mean, if you trust them. So do I.

DAVE

Of course. I do. We need this!

REBECCA SMILES AS WE...

INT. STAPLES CENTER - NIGHT

DAVE AND REBECCA SIP ON BIG DRINKS AND MAKE THEIR WAY THROUGH THE CROWD TO FIND THEIR SEATS.

REBECCA

Thanks for forcing me out of the house. Things have just been so crazy with your parent's stuff, and the house stuff. There's been no time for us stuff.

DAVE

I know... But now we do.

DAVE GIVES HER A KISS.

REBECCA

This is so fun! I don't think I've been to a concert since Justin
Timberlake brought sexy back.

DAVE

I miss his curls.

REBECCA

(LAUGHING)

You think the kids are okay?

They're totally fine.

REBECCA

Should we call just to make sure?

DAVE

I'd rather just spend time with you right now.

REBECCA SMILES AND WHEN DAVE GIVES HER A KISS WE HEAR.

LINDA (O.S.)

Surprise!

THEY LOOK OVER TO SEE ELLIOT AND LINDA IN THEIR ROW!

REBECCA

What the fuck is happening!?

DAVE

What are you two doing here?!?!

REBECCA

Who's with the kids!?

LINDA

We decided to surprise you as a thank you for letting us stay with you!

DAVE

This is not a surprise. This is a mean prank show!

REBECCA

Again! Who's watching the kids?

Joanna?

LINDA

Aram.

REBECCA

ARAM?!

Oh no.

ELLIOT

I really like him! He got me a vape.

Hit?

ELLIOT OFFERS HIS VAPE PEN.

DAVE

What?! NO! Aram doesn't babysit!

THE CONCERT GETS LOUDER AS A FURIOUS REBECCA TURNS TO THEM.

REBECCA

I LITERALLY CANNOT! I gotta go! I

can't believe you left our kids alone

with that human can of Axe Body Spray!

DAVE TURNS TO HIS PARENTS.

DAVE

I couldn't hear her, but I know she's

not happy. I'll go talk to her.

LINDA AND ELLIOT FOLLOW DAVE OUT.

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S KITCHEN - LATER

DAVE, REBECCA, LINDA, AND ELLIOT ARGUE IN THE KITCHEN.

DAVE

How did you even buy those tickets?!

ELLIOT

Stubhub.

LINDA

We splurged.

REBECCA

You are in no position to splurge!

Actually we are because the GoFundMe is totally working!

DAVE

It is?

REBECCA

What are you talking about? I thought you decided not to do that.

LINDA

We did but Dave said we should go for it?

REBECCA TURNS TO DAVE CONFUSED.

REBECCA

You said GO FOR IT?

LINDA

Yup. And thanks to that genius idea from your very talented husband, my wonderful storytelling, and Elliot's creative camera work, we've already raised 6k!

REBECCA

Six thousand dollars?!?

DAVE

Okay, I did NOT know that. That's insane.

ELLIOT

I was surprised too, but it started making money as soon as the video hit the air net!

You were right, beauty. It worked. I mean look how this just pulls on your heart strings.

LINDA PROUDLY PLACES THE LAPTOP ON THE COFFEE TABLE AND SHOWS THEIR VIDEO.

AS LINDA BEGINS HER MONOLOGUE THEY NOTICE REBECCA CROSSING THE FRAME AND HER TOWEL DROPPING. HER BREASTS ARE FULLY EXPOSED ON CAMERA. ALL OF THEM SEE THIS TOGETHER IN REAL TIME AND ARE IN DISBELIEF. REBECCA IS FURIOUS! SHE IMMEDIATELY SPINS ON DAVE!

REBECCA

THIS IS ON THE INTERNET!!!

DAVE

(to Linda)

Mom?! Dad! What did you do?!

ELLIOT

I did not notice anyone's breasts when

...but clearly there are breasts

there. Look, see? Right there. (touching the screen)

DAVE

Dad, stop touching the screen! And also stop pointing at my wife's breasts!

INSTINCTIVELY, REBECCA STARTS TO COVER UP, EVEN THOUGH SHE IS CURRENTLY DRESSED.

LINDA

I don't think it's that big of a deal.

I mean, you can barely see her in the

background.

DAVE TAKES A CLOSER LOOK.

No. I think it's pretty clear!

REBECCA

Linda, this is porn! Starring your daughter-in-law!

LINDA

Okay let's calm down. Just watch the whole video! It's not all about your boobs. See?

(re: video)

Okay maybe it is. But you know I would never do this on purpose.

REBECCA

Of course you wouldn't do it on purpose, but it still happened cause you DID it!

(to Dave)

You know, I really thought of all people, you would help protect that!

REBECCA SLAMS SHUTS THE LAPTOP AGAIN AND STORMS OFF, UPSET.

ELLIOT

Dave, it was an accident. We didn't see her when we were shooting it.

We'll just take down the video. No harm. No foul. How do we do that?

DAVE

No, major harm and major foul! Look, I love you and I can put up with the fact that you don't knock, you spoil TV shows, you eat our earthquake food, and you show up on our damn date...

(MORE)

DAVE (CONT'D)

but putting MY WIFE'S TITS ON THE INTERNET is just something I'm never going to be okay with!

LINDA

We're sorry. What can we do?

DAVE

I really can't figure that out for you. I already have two kids. I can't take care of two more!

THIS ROCKS LINDA TO HER CORE.

LINDA (holding back tears)

You don't have to. We'll figure out another way to pay down our bill!

LINDA SULKS OUT WITH ELLIOT, LEAVING DAVE TOTALLY TORN.

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

INT. JOANNA'S LOFT - DAY

DAVE AND REBECCA SIT ACROSS FROM JOANNA AND HER FOUR TINY RESCUE DOGS AT HER KITCHEN ISLAND. THEY SHARE A BOTTLE OF WINE AND WATCH LINDA'S GOFUNDME VIDEO.

JOANNA

(BLUSHING)

Well, on the bright side, you look

fantastic.

REBECCA

Not funny.

JOANNA

I'm serious.

DAVE

Stop hitting on my wife. But she's

right. You do look good.

JOANNA SCROLLS DOWN LOOKING AT THE COMMENTS.

JOANNA

And we're not the only people that

think so. Check out all these

comments. They're disgusting... but

also very flattering. (READING FROM SCREEN)

"Heeeeyyyy sexxxxyyyyy!" (AND ANOTHER)

"Who is this hottie? I wanna drink her

bath water!"
 (AND ANOTHER)

"I work for Saudi Prince. What is

best contact?"

Look, if you wanna sell yourself to a prince and get out of this mess, I totally get it. I'll miss you, but I get it.

REBECCA

I'm not gonna lie. This does feel kinda nice.

AS THEY TALK, LINDA CONTINUES AND JOANNA WATCHES.

JOANNA

How long is this video?

DAVE

No idea. We didn't get all the way through.

THEY ALL LOOK TO THE VIDEO TO FIND LINDA MORE VULNERABLE THAN THEY'VE EVER SEEN HER.

LINDA

(ON VIDEO)

I guess I... just feel so scared. I never thought I'd come to this place where I'd have to be parented by my own son. The truth is right now I just feel incredibly small and helpless.

ELLIOT (O.C.)

(ON VIDEO)

Me too. This was never the plan.

LINDA

(ON VIDEO)

You're right. But even though my knee still hurts and we're broke, I still feel incredibly lucky.

(MORE)

LINDA (CONT'D)

I have two beautiful grandchildren, and amazing kids who have always been there for us.

ELLIOT (O.C.)

Never left our side.

LINDA (ON VIDEO)

It's true. Even our daughter Joanna who we have a sometimes trying relationship with mostly because she's single, is a wonderful person with an incredible business.

ELLIOT (O.C.)
(ON VIDEO)

Please check out Puppy Cuts Dot Com for more info.

LINDA

(ON VIDEO)

Yes. Do that. (THEN)

I also owe so much to my very beautiful daughter-in-law. As much as I love bragging about our son being the next HGTV star, and my daughter running her own dog grooming business, nothing is more fun than bragging about Rebecca being the best mother of all time. Sometimes I get jealous that I wasn't as good as her...

ELLIOT (O.C.)
(ON VIDEO)

Rebecca's the best! Except for the weird health food.

AS DAVE, JOANNA, AND REBECCA WATCH THIS, THEY SOFTEN.

REBECCA

Welp, now I feel like an asshole.

JOANNA

Yeah. I've been way too hard on them. I mean, they're still insane people who went on a luxury vacay to Africa with zero money. But I didn't realize it was hitting them this hard.

DAVE

I know, but when I saw Mom break down walking through the house... I knew she was gonna have a hard time letting go.

REBECCA

You did the right thing Dave. I would've told her to try making a GoFundMe too.

TOANNA

So what do we do? Go back to the original idea? Have you renovate the house and sell it?

DAVE

Yeah but I actually may have a way to keep some of our memories even if we still lose the house...

REBECCA

Would love to hear it, but before you do anything, can you please take down the GoFundMe video? It's been up for several hours. And the comments are slowly getting less flattering and more serial killer-ish. (CHECKING PHONE)

Annnnnd someone just found me on twitter.

DAVE QUICKLY TAKES DOWN THE VIDEO AND THEN PICKS UP HIS PHONE TO MAKE A PLAN AS WE...

EXT/INT. LINDA AND ELLIOT'S HOUSE - NIGHT

REBECCA STANDS WITH DAVE AS HE KNOCKS ON THE DOOR.

DAVE

I knocked louder so maybe they learn how to do it.

LINDA SADLY OPENS IT BUT IS HAPPY TO SEE THEM.

DAVE (CONT'D)

Hey. Can we come in?

LINDA

Please.

DAVE

So... we watched the rest of the video.

REBECCA

We love everything you said about us and our family and I can't imagine how hard this is for you right now.

Thanks for saying that but Rebecca, posting that video with your ass definitely crossed a line...

REBECCA

It was my boobs but that doesn't matter.

ELLIOT

If you keep watching it's your ass too.

LINDA

Anyway, I'm very sorry about that. I would've been really mad too.

REBECCA

It's okay Turns out, perverts on the internet's opinions can actually be flattering. Until they get frightening.

LINDA

So Dave, be honest, what should we do?
We have to sell the house. But where
do we even go?

DAVE LOOKS TO REBECCA AND SMILES.

DAVE

We actually have an idea.

REBECCA

We think you should come back to our place...

LINDA

You want us back?

REBECCA

We do.

ELLIOT

That's convenient. All my Gushers are still there.

DAVE

Look, once you're financially back on your feet, we can figure things out and find you a place of your own. But until then, we got you.

REBECCA

We'll work together and help pay down the bill. That's what family's for, right?

TITNDA

Absolutely.

LINDA GRABS DAVE AND REBECCA IN A HUG AND ELLIOT JOINS TOO.

REBECCA

I only ask that you keep my boobs off the Internet, get health insurance stat, and never leave our kids with single bros who constantly say "flames".

LINDA

We can handle that ...

INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S GARAGE / NEW SPACE - LATER

DAVE AND REBECCA WALK ELLIOT AND LINDA INTO THEIR GARAGE, WHERE ARAM HAS TRANSFORMED IT INTO A REPLICA OF THEIR OLD BASEMENT. JOANNA IS THERE HANGING UP THE LAST PHOTO.

DAVE

Welcome to your new home.

Wow... It's... our basement.

ELLIOT

You really nailed it.

ARAM

I still like my leather floors idea but for old people this is flames!

DAVE

We re-installed the door with the growth chart, the vomit stained carpet, hung up Joanna's Bat Mitzvah collage, and even stocked your fridge with Zima.

LINDA SMILES.

LINDA

Zima's still a thing?

DAVE

It is on Ebay!

LINDA

David, this is incredible.

JOANNA

I'm glad you love it, but I really don't think my collage is necessary.

ELLIOT

Neither is the vomity carpet...

DAVE

It's nostalgic.

ELLIOT

It's making me nauseous. But it's the thought that counts.

ELLIOT GRABS A ZIMA FROM THE FRIDGE AND TAKES A SIP.

ELLIOT (CONT'D)

Oh no. That did NOT help the nausea. THEY ALL LAUGH AS LINDA WRAPS THEM IN A HUG.

LINDA

Just get over here and give me some of that cuteness.

END OF ACT THREE

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INT. DAVE AND REBECCA'S DEN - NIGHT

DAVE AND REBECCA CUDDLE WATCHING HANDSMAID'S TALE.

REBECCA

I can't believe we're almost done with this season!

DAVE

I know! It's so exciting. Is this what it feels like when you finish a book?

REBECCA

I don't remember. The last book I read was a mommy blog about public school.

ELLIOT (O.S.)

The June suicide scene coming up is gonna blow your mind!

REVEAL ELLIOT AND LINDA SITTING NEXT TO THEM EATING GUSHERS.

DAVE

DAD!

REBECCA

She dies?!?

ELLIOT

(GIGGLING)

No. I'm just having fun!

DAVE

Why even say that?

ELLIOT

Sorry.

LINDA (CONCERNED/WHISPERING)

Wait... are you sure she doesn't die?

ELLIOT

(UNSURE)

Not really.

HE TAKES A LONG HIT OF HIS VAPE AS WE...

END OF SHOW