Amendment

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Wouldn't it be nice if We had an amendment To give civil rights to Women To once and for all just Really lay it down from A point of view of WomenI know what you're thinking That's just redundant Chicks got it good now They can almost be president But worker against worker Time and time again As the rich use certain issues as a tool And when I said we need the ERA cause I'm a fool. It's cause without it nobody can get away With anything cruel You don't need to go far like Just over to canada To feel the height and sense of Live and let live What is it about americans Like so many pitbulls Trained to attack them To never giveWe gotta come down abortion Put it down in the books for good As central to the civil rights of women Make diversity acceptable Make it finally understood Through the civil rights of women And if you don't like abortion Don't have an abortion Teach your children How they can avoid them But don't treat all women Like they are your children Compassion has many faces Many names And if men can kill And be decorated instead of blamed When a woman called onto mother

Can choose to refrainAnd contrary to ions(?)

Of oldtime religion

Your body is your only true cominion

Nature is not here to serve you

Or at any cost to preserve you

That's just some preacherman's oldtime opinionLife is sacred

Life is all so profane

A woman's life

It must be hers to name

Let an amendment

Put this brutal game to rest

Trust women will still take you to their breast

Trust women will always do their best

Trust that our differences make us stronger, not lessIn this amendment

Shall be family structure shall be free

To be the right to civil union

If we take unions of all kinds

Unions of hearts and minds

To give society communion

Let's do more than tolerate

Let gay and straight resonate

And emanate all things human

With equal rights and

Equal protection

Intolerance finally ruinedAnd then there's the kids rights

They'll naturally be on board

A thunnel through which

Womens' lives are poured

Our family is so big and we're all so very small

Let a web of relationship be laid over it all

Over the ... Of power piled up into the sky

Over the illusion of autonomy on which it relies

Over any absolute of nature that's not surprised(?)

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