Seven Presidential Pardons

I'm not a Crook

After quotes of Richard Milhouse Nixon (1913-1994)

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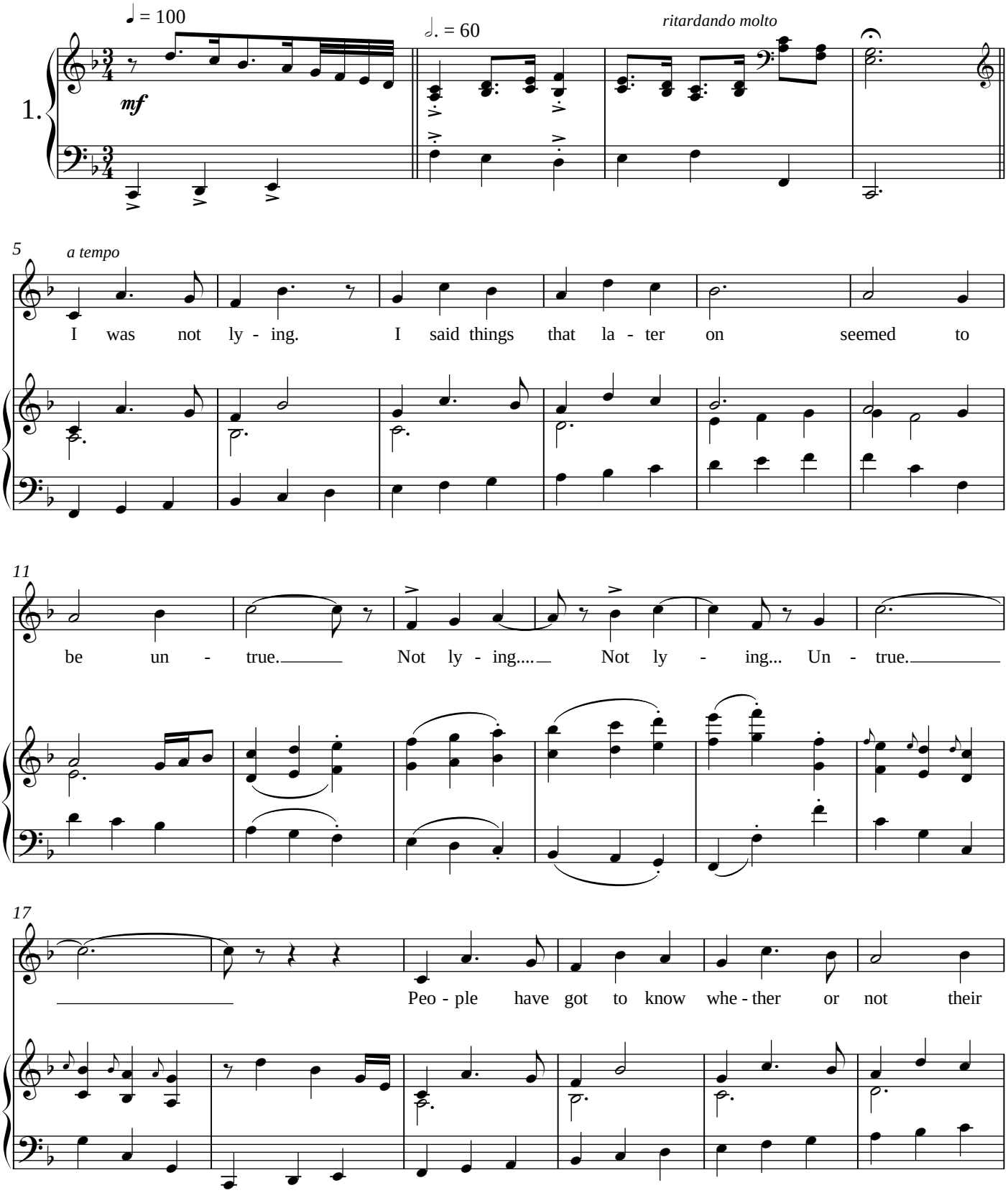

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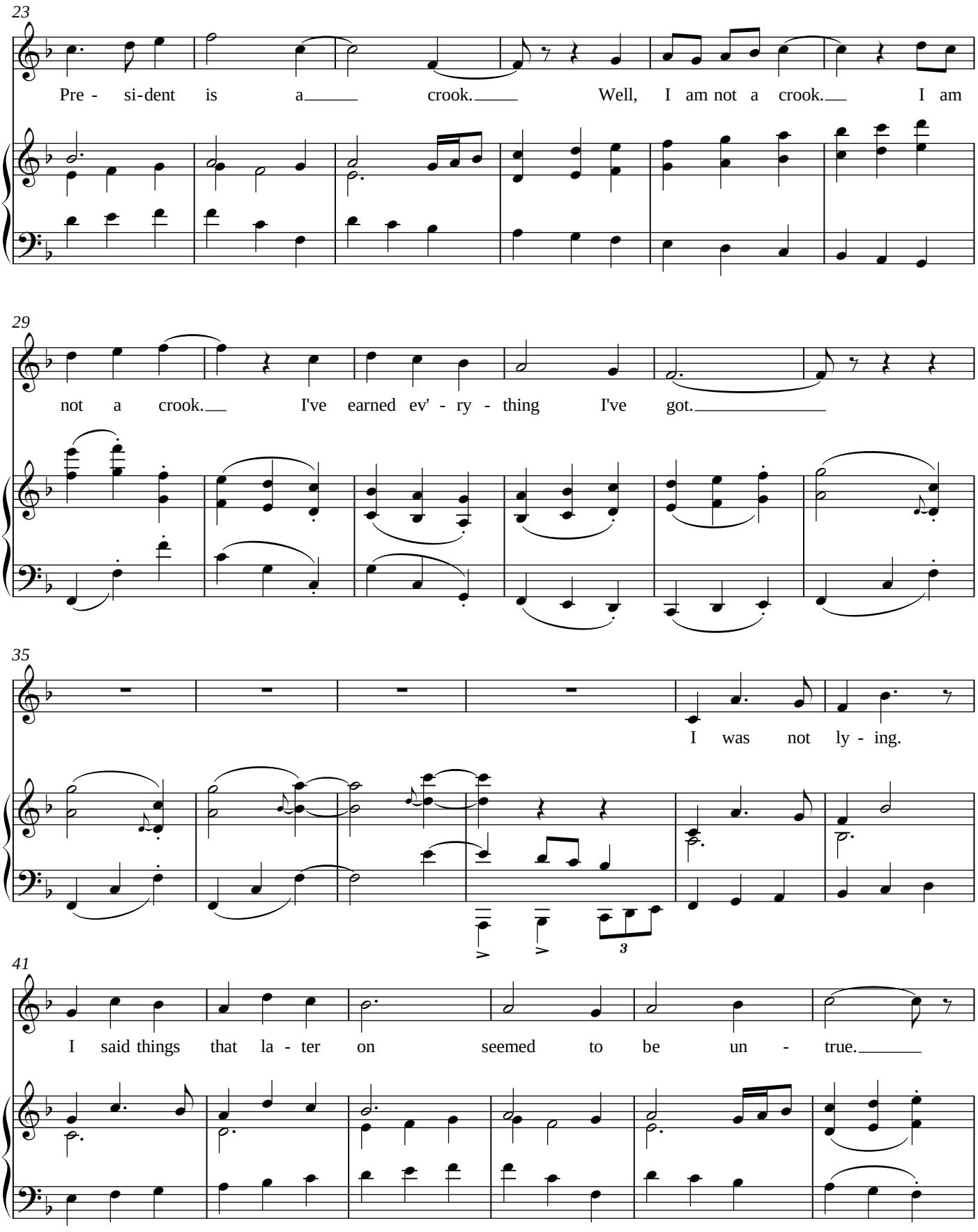
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Pre - si-dent is a crook. Well, I am not a crook. I am
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not a crook. I've earned ev' - ry - thing I've got.
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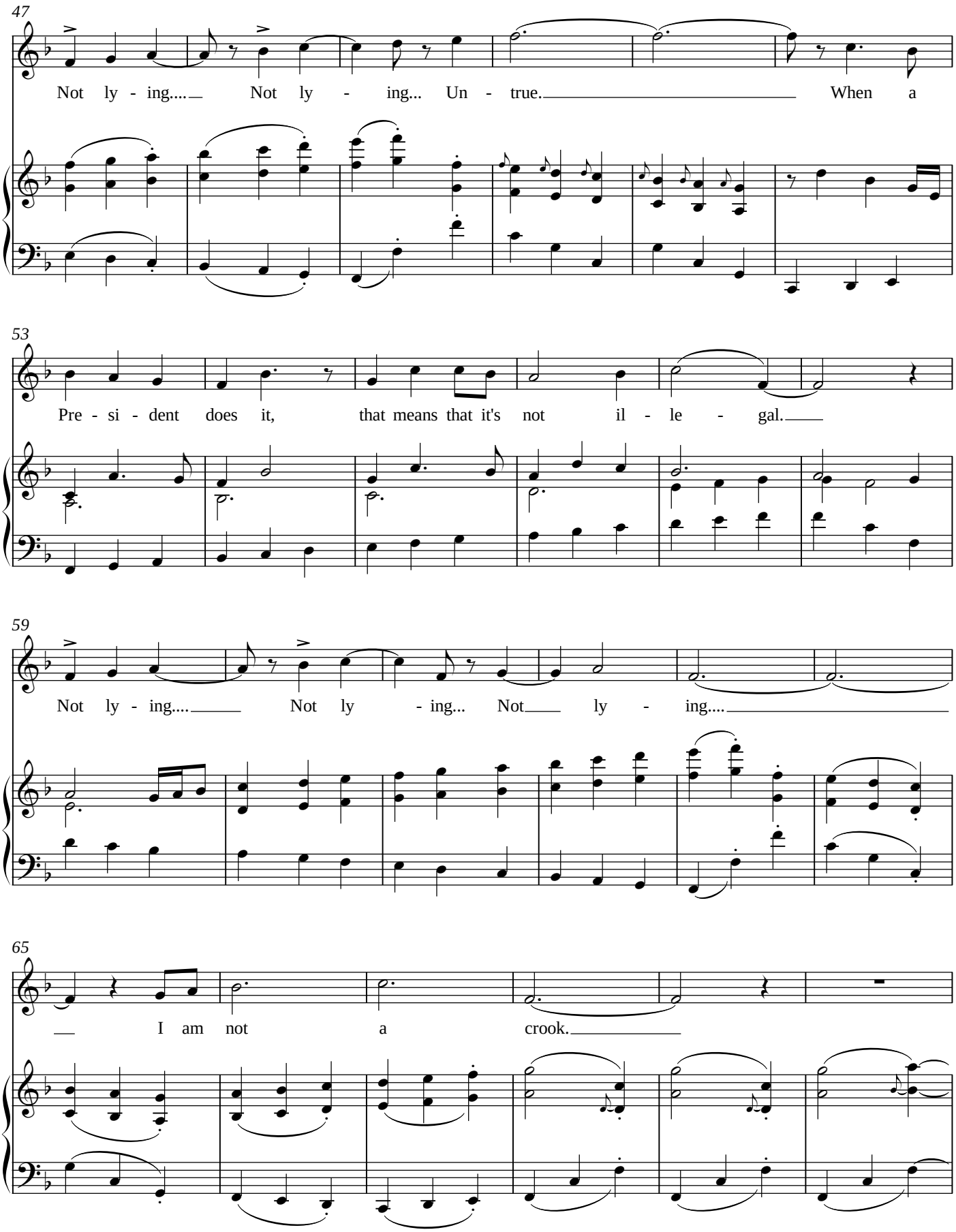
I was not ly - ing.
41
I said things that la - ter on seemed to be un - true.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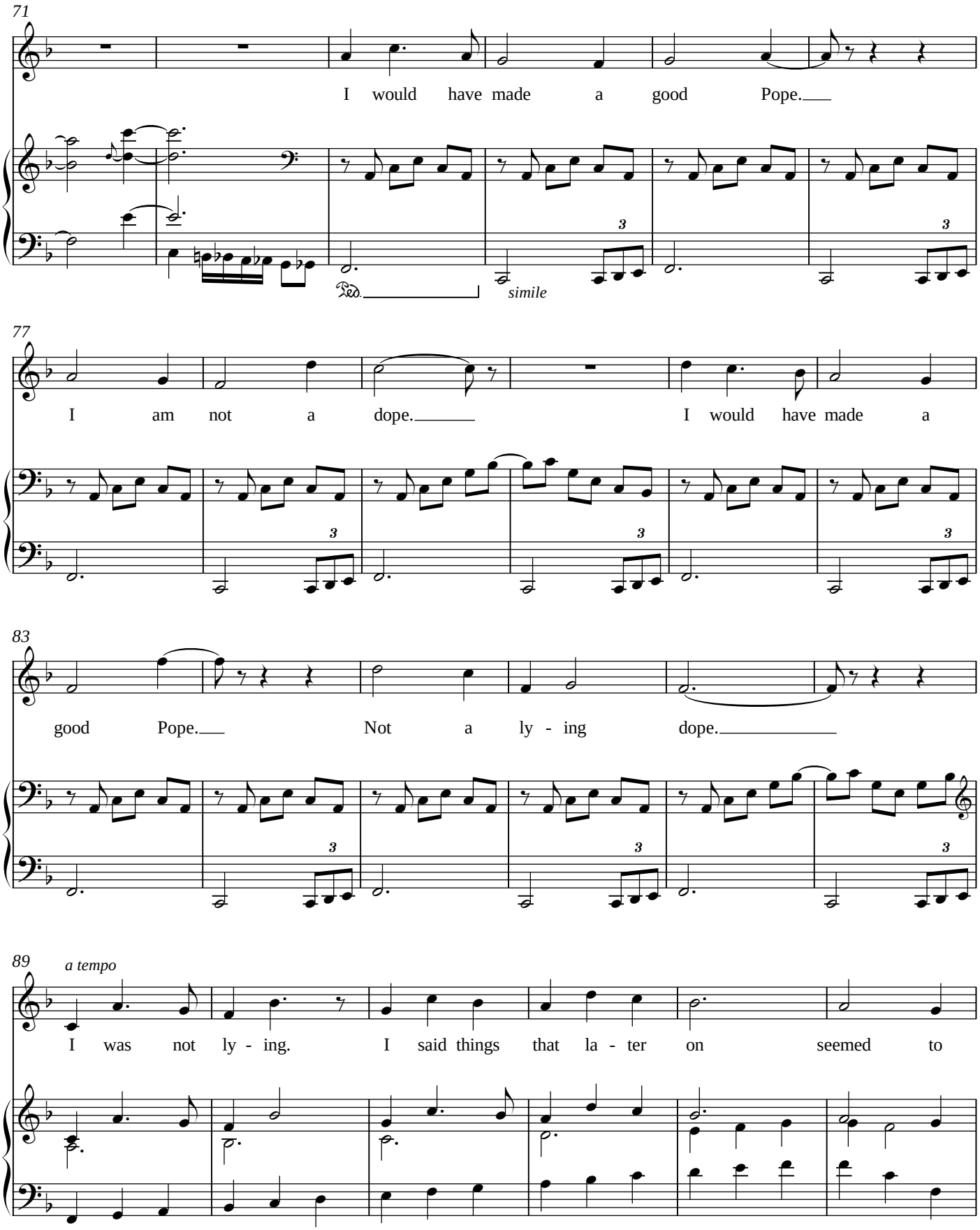
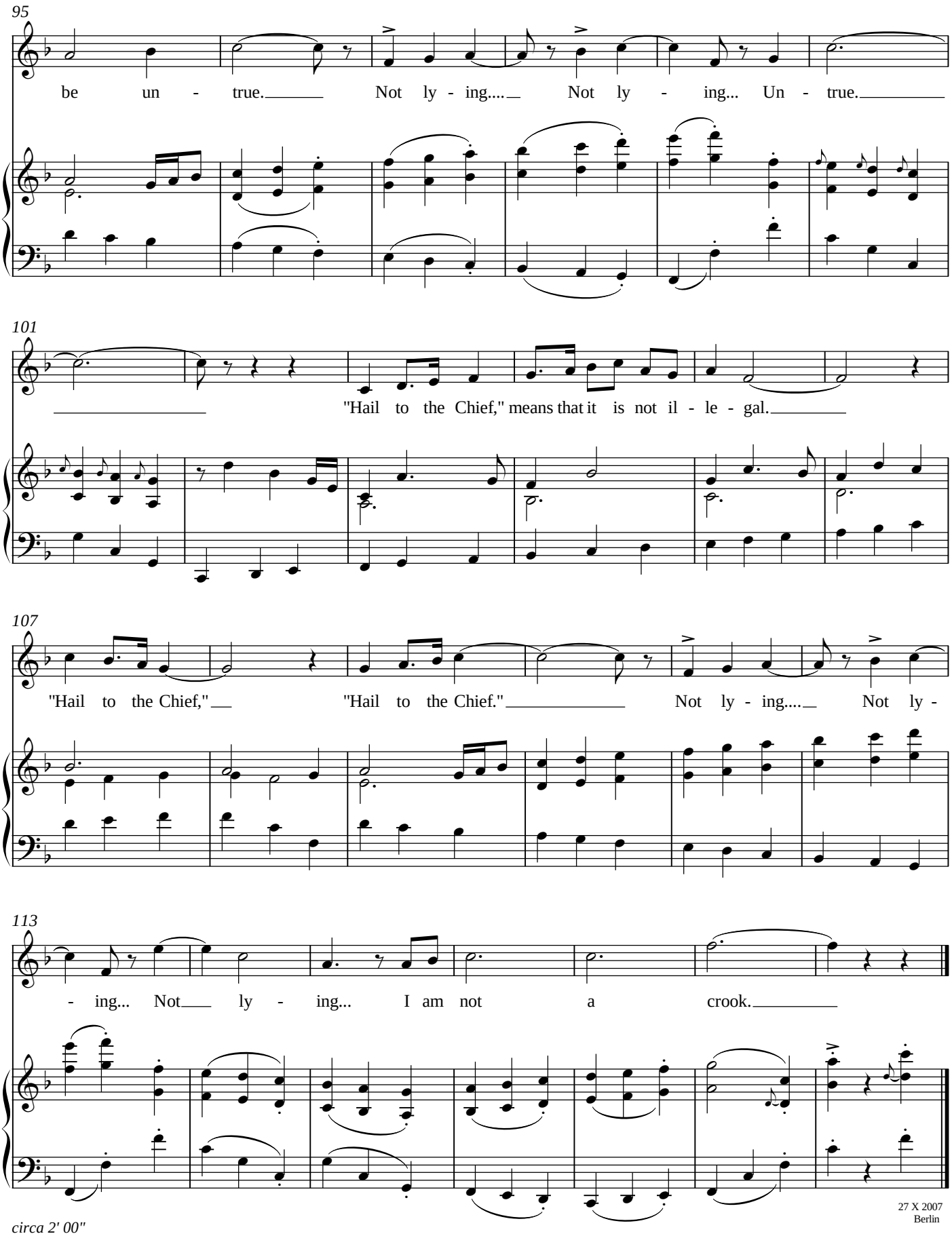
Not ly - ing.... Not ly - ing... Un - true. When a
53
Pre - si - dent does it, that means that it's not il - le - gal.
59
Not ly - ing.... Not ly - ing... Not ly - ing....
65
I am not a crook.


71
I would have made a good Pope.
Ped.
simile
77
I am not a dope.
I would have made a
83
good Pope.
Not a ly - ing dope.
89
a tempo
I was not ly - ing.
I said things that la - ter on seemed to


95
be un - true. Not ly - ing.... Not ly - ing... Un - true.
101
"Hail to the Chief," means that it is not il - le - gal.
107
"Hail to the Chief," "Hail to the Chief." Not ly - ing.... Not ly -
113
- ing... Not ly - ing... I am not a crook.
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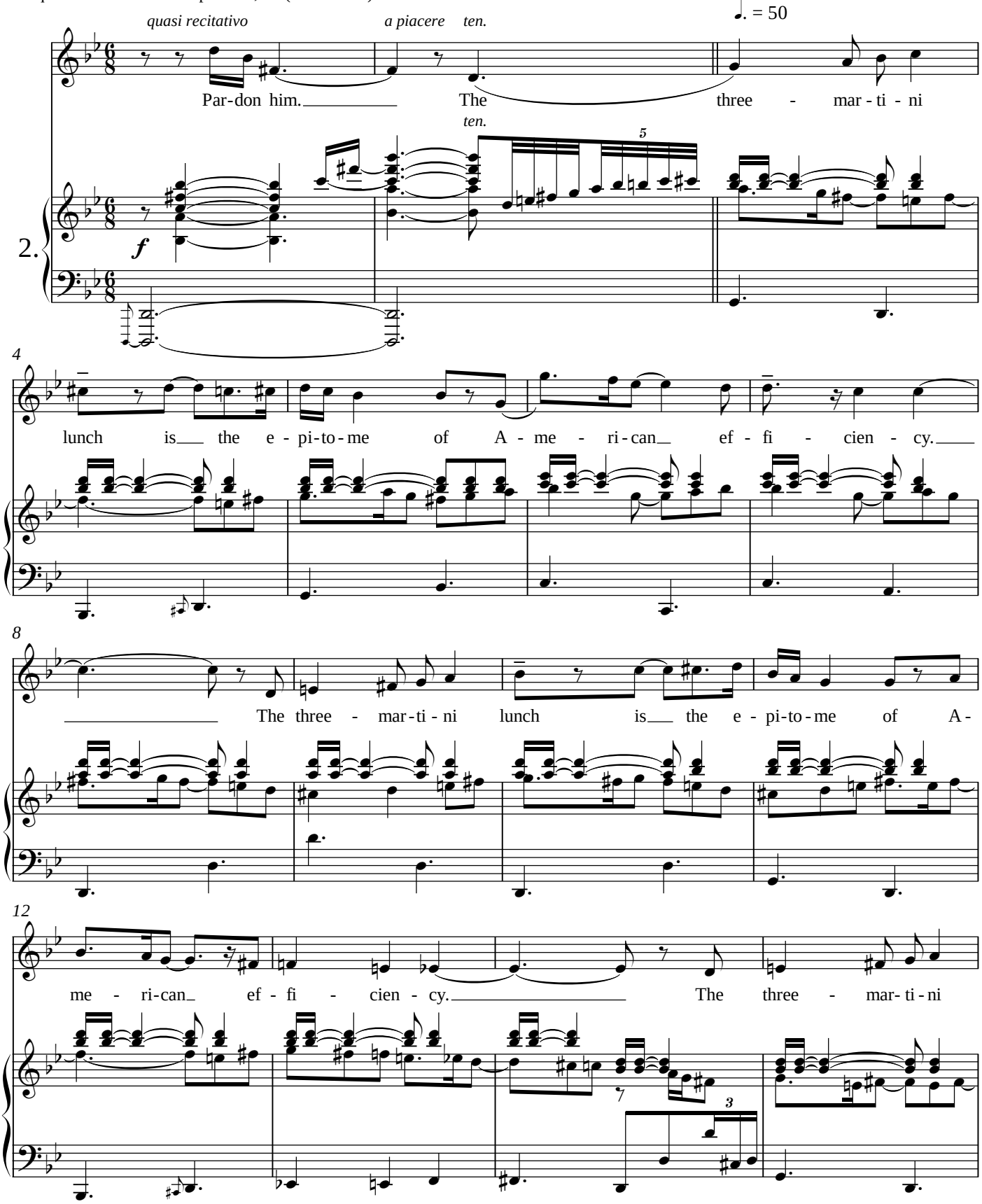
American Efficiency

After quotes of Gerald Rudolph Ford, Jr. (1913-2006)



16

lunch is the e - pi-to - me... Oh, par-don me but... Where else can you

20

get an ear- ful, and a bel-ly - ful and a snoot - ful at one time?

24

Where else? The three - mar - ti - ni lunch is the e-

28

pi-to-me of A - me - ri-can ef - fi - cien - cy. Par-don me.

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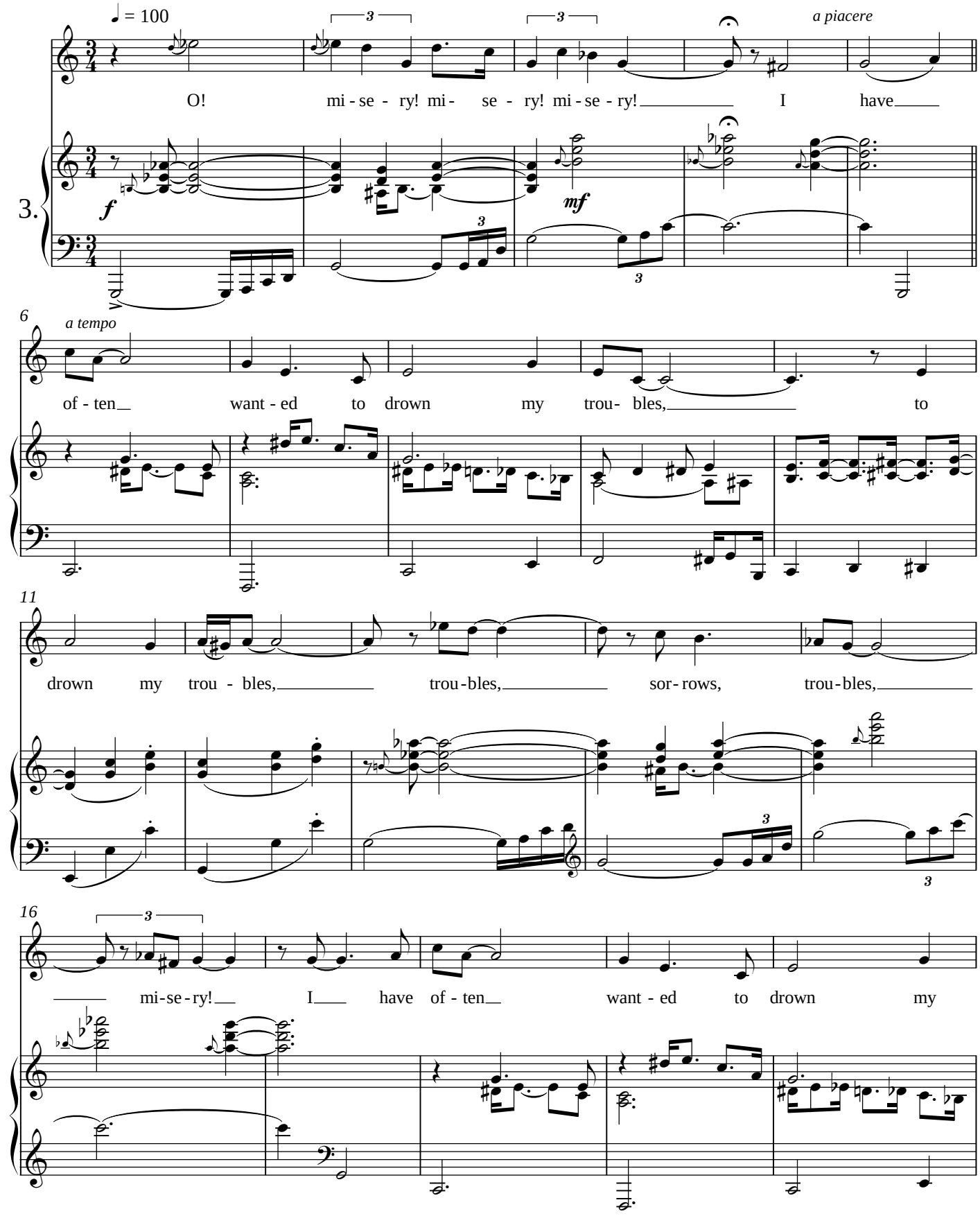
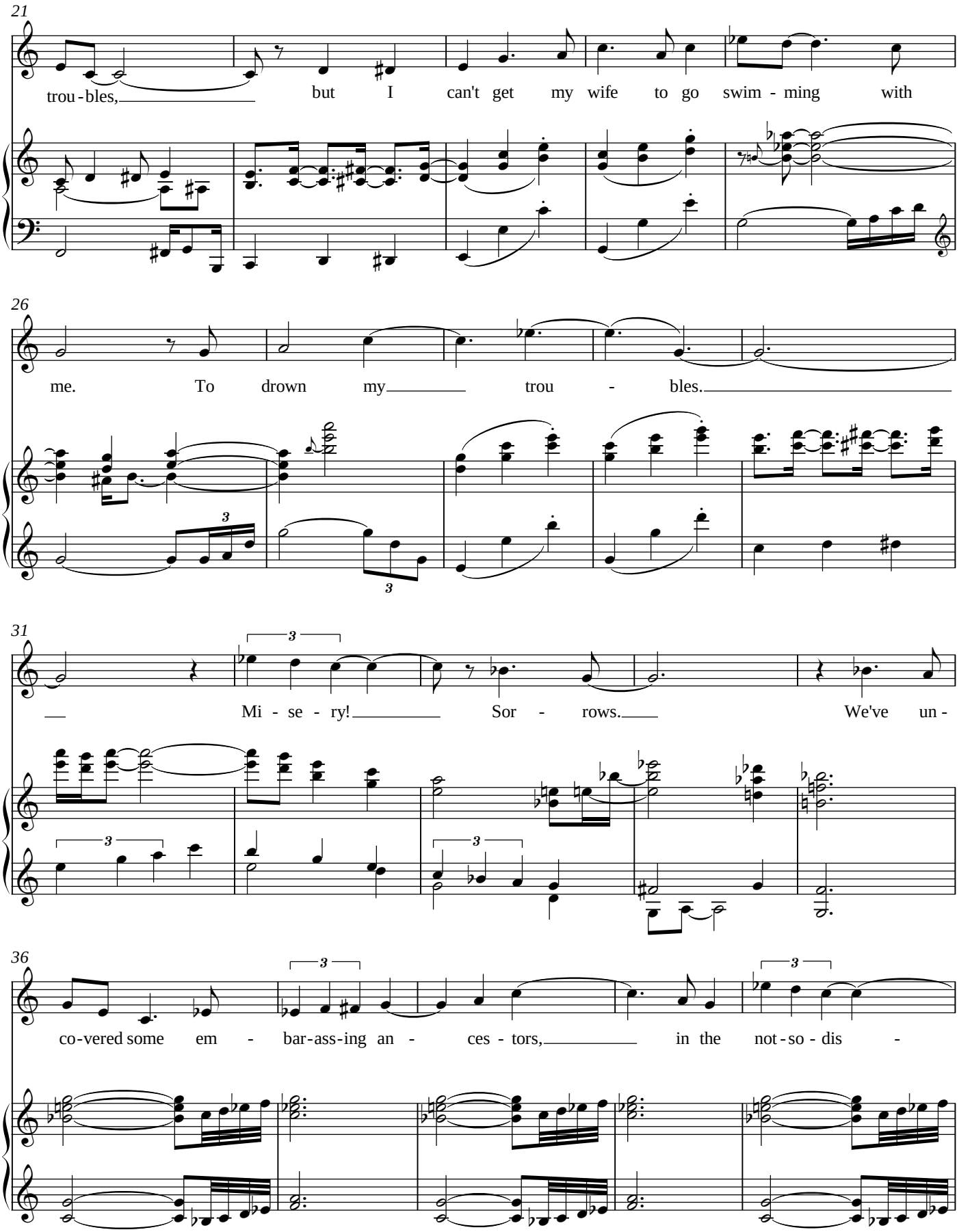
To drown my troubles

After quotes of James Earl Carter (b. 1924)

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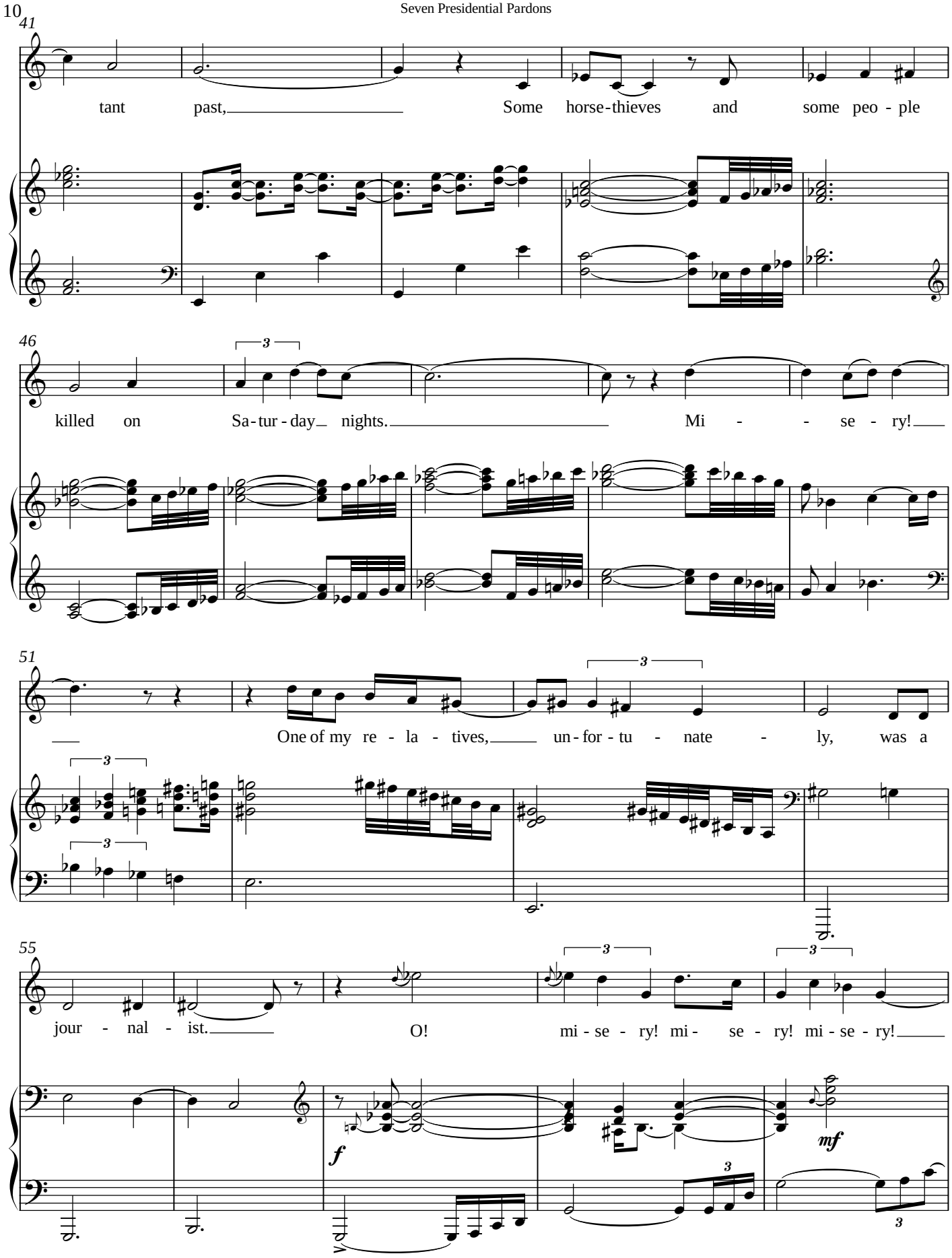
trou - bles, but I can't get my wife to go swim - ming with
26
me. To drown my trou - bles.
31
Mi - se - ry! Sor - rows. We've un -
36
co-vered some em - bar-ass-ing an - ces - tors, in the not - so - dis -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tant past, Some horse-thieves and some peo - ple
46
killed on Sa-tur-day nights. Mi - - se - ry!
51
One of my re - la - tives, un-for-tu - nate - ly, was a
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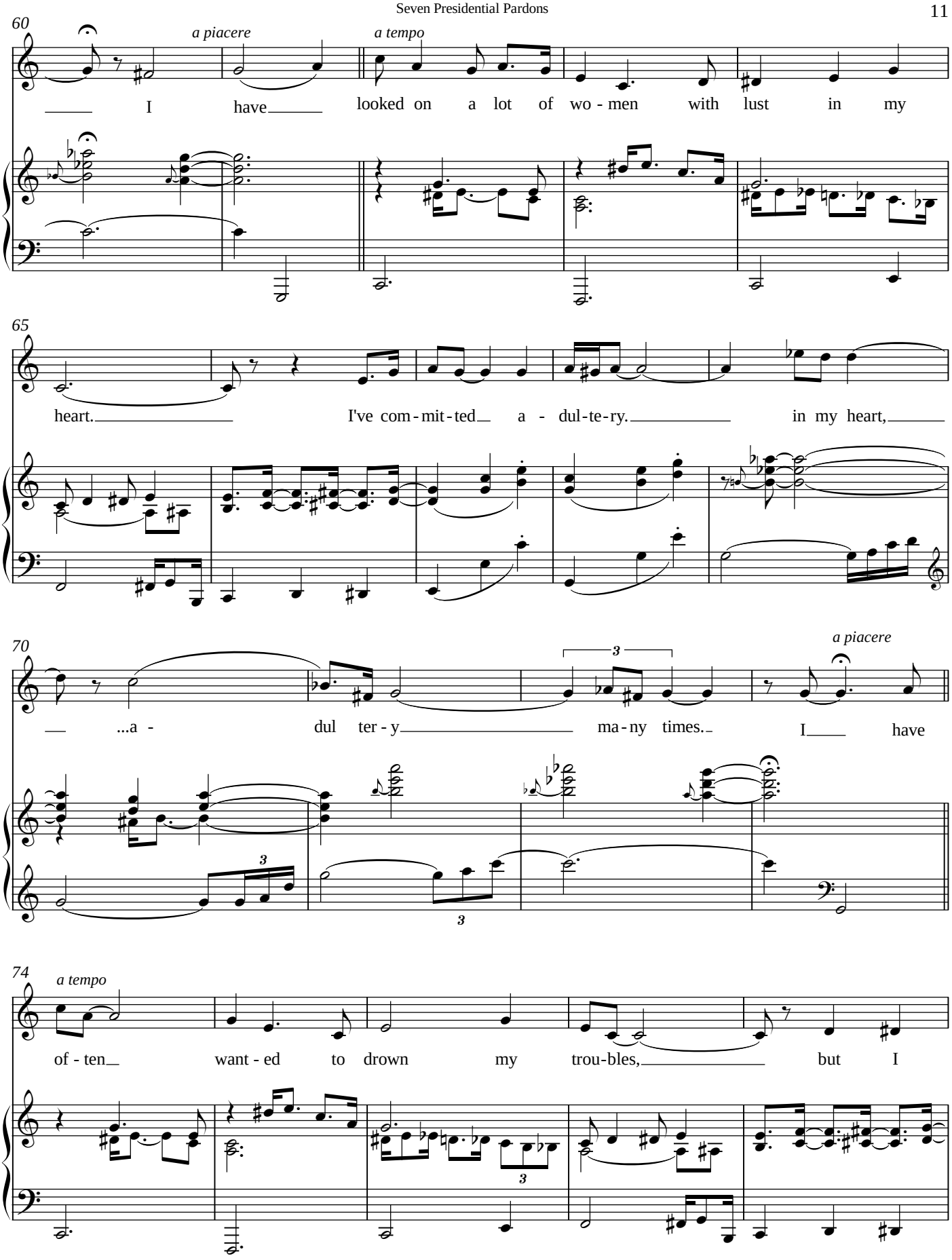
jour - nal - ist. O! mi - se - ry! mi - se - ry! mi - se - ry!
f
mf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a piacere
a tempo
I have looked on a lot of wo - men with lust in my
65
heart. I've com - mit - ted a - dul - te - ry. in my heart,
70
...a - dul ter - y ma - ny times. I have
a piacere
74
a tempo
of - ten want - ed to drown my trou - bles, but I

79

can't get my wife to go swim - ming with me. To drown my

84

trou - bles. A - dul - te - ry!

89

Mi - se - ry. Lust in my heart. ...want to

94

drown my trou - bles. Par- don me!

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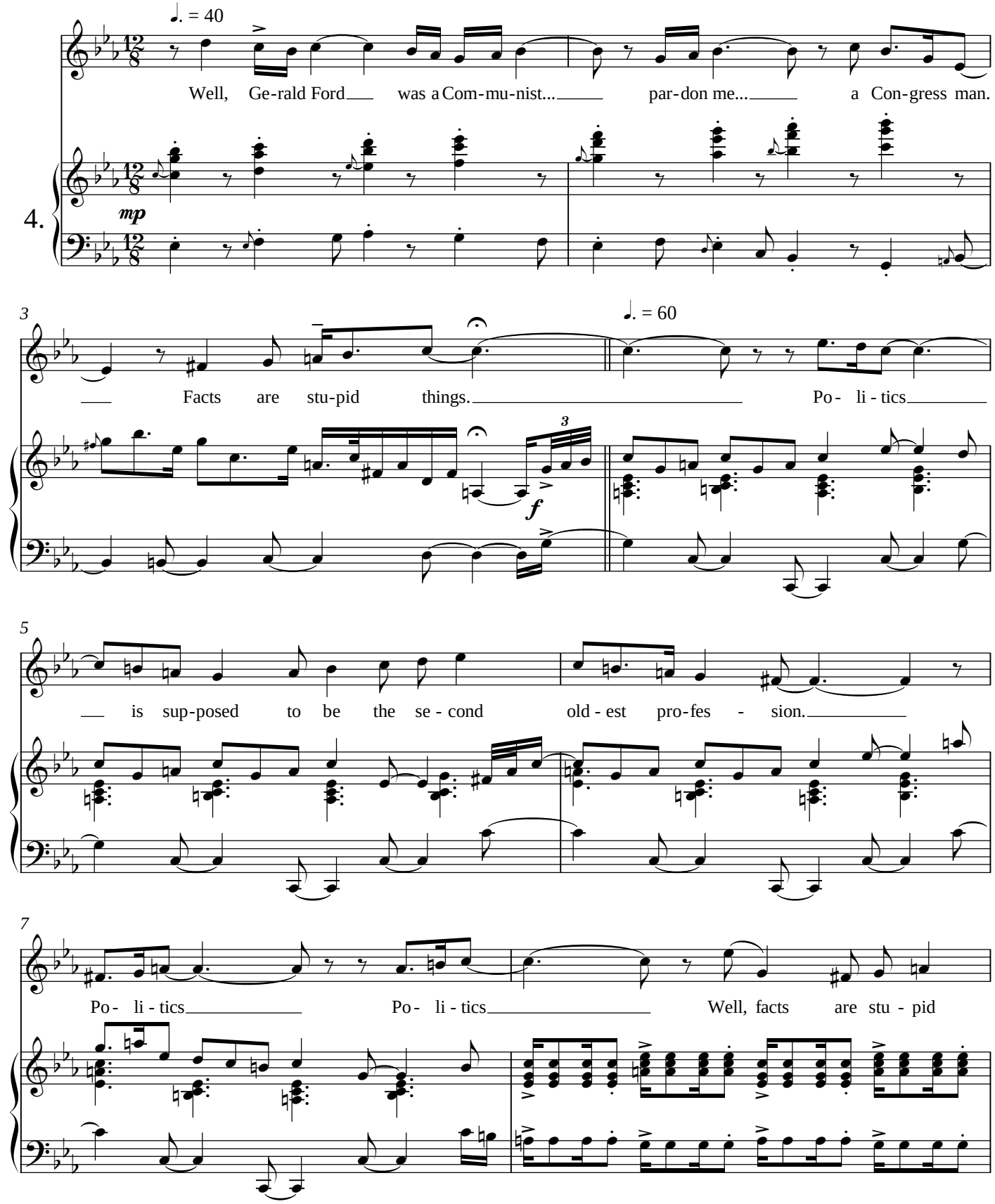
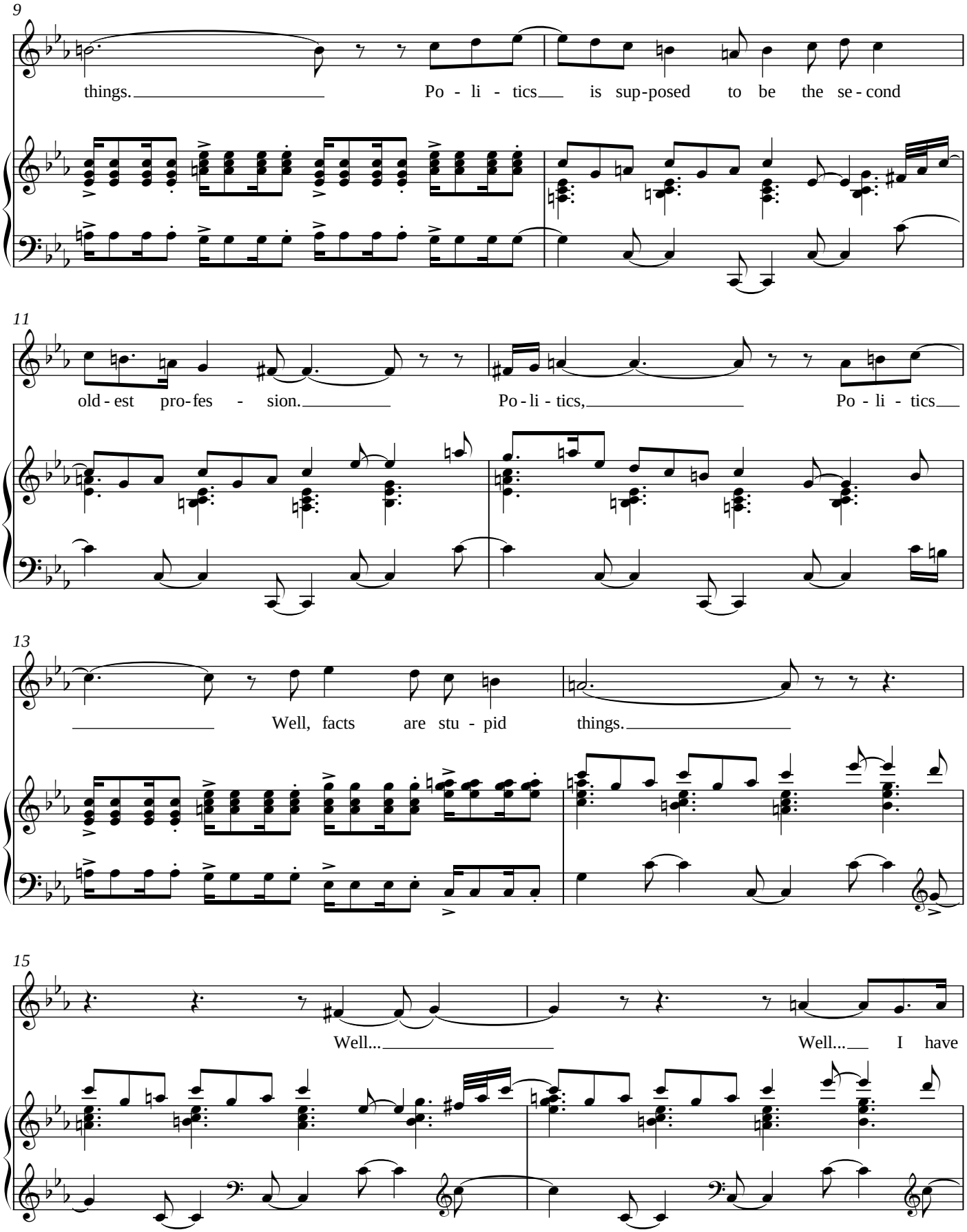
The Second Oldest Profession

After quotes of Ronald Wilson Reagan (1911-2004)

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things. Po - li - tics is sup-posed to be the se - cond
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old - est pro-fes - sion. Po - li - tics, Po - li - tics
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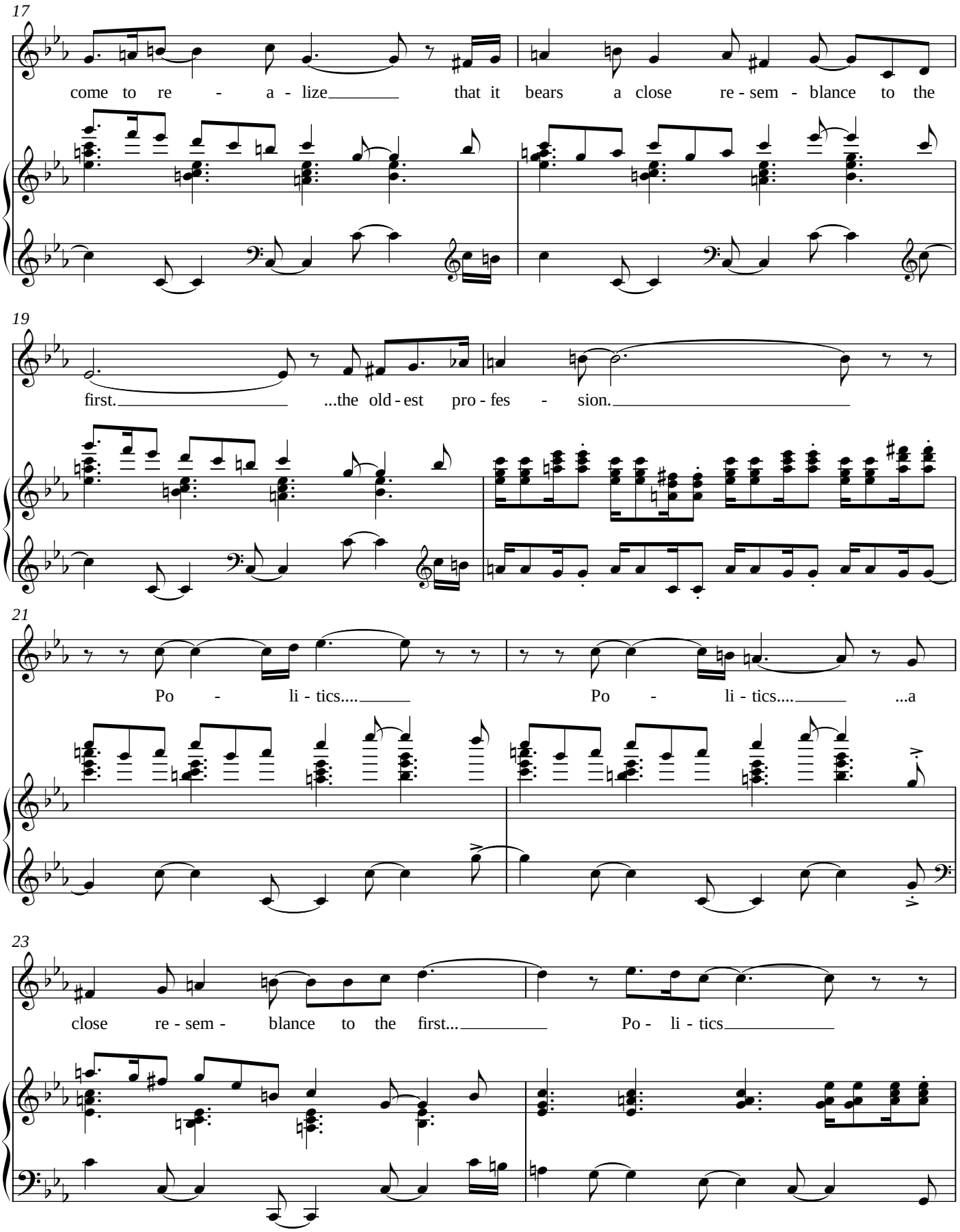
Well, facts are stu - pid things.
15
Well... Well... I have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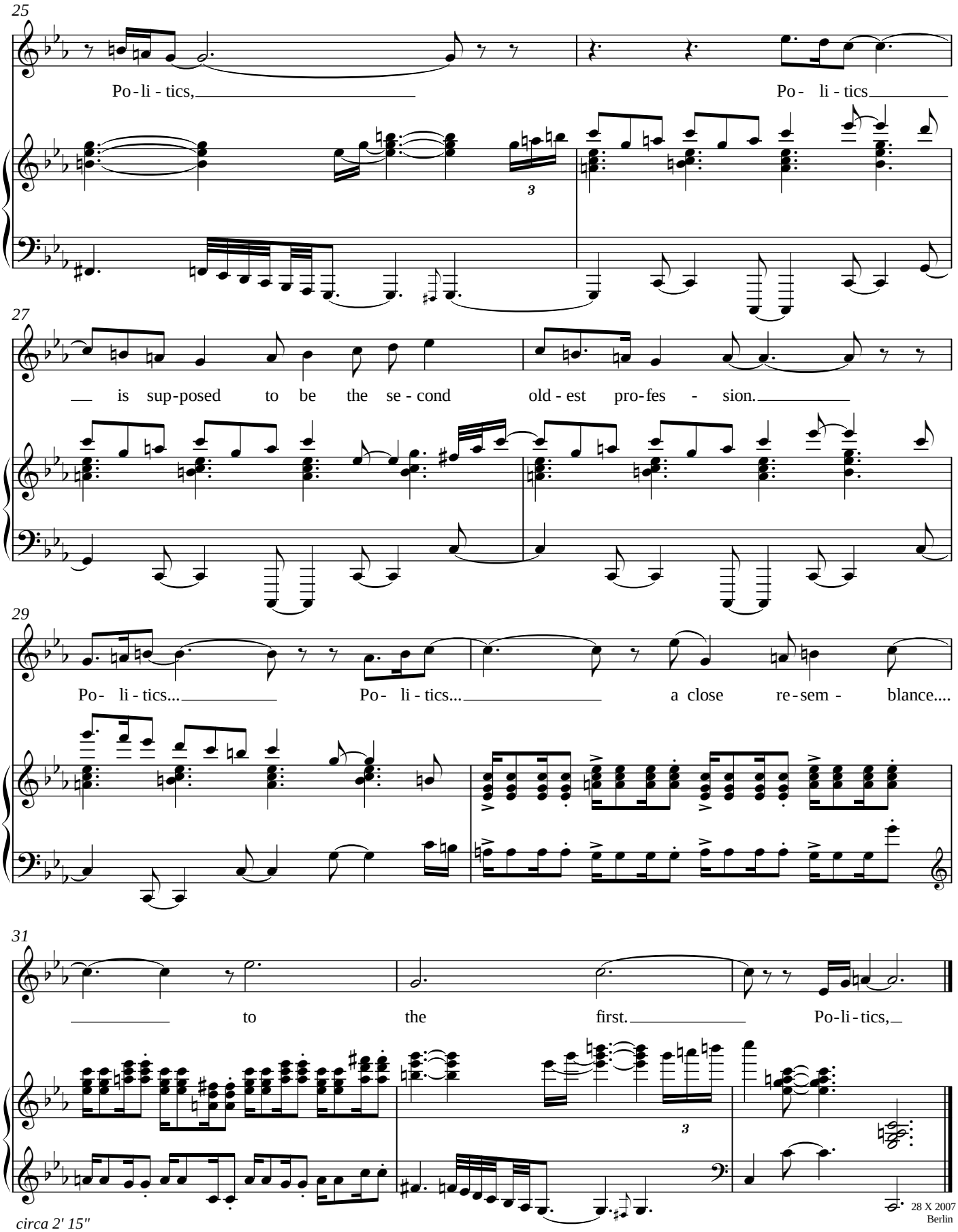
come to re - a - lize that it bears a close re - sem - blance to the
19
first. ...the old - est pro - fes - sion.
21
Po - li - tics.... Po - li - tics.... ...a
23
close re - sem - blance to the first... Po - li - tics


25
Po-li-tics,
Po- li-tics
27
is sup-posed to be the se-cond old-est pro-fes - sion.
29
Po- li-tics...
Po- li-tics...
a close re-sem - blance....
31
to the first.
Po-li-tics,
3
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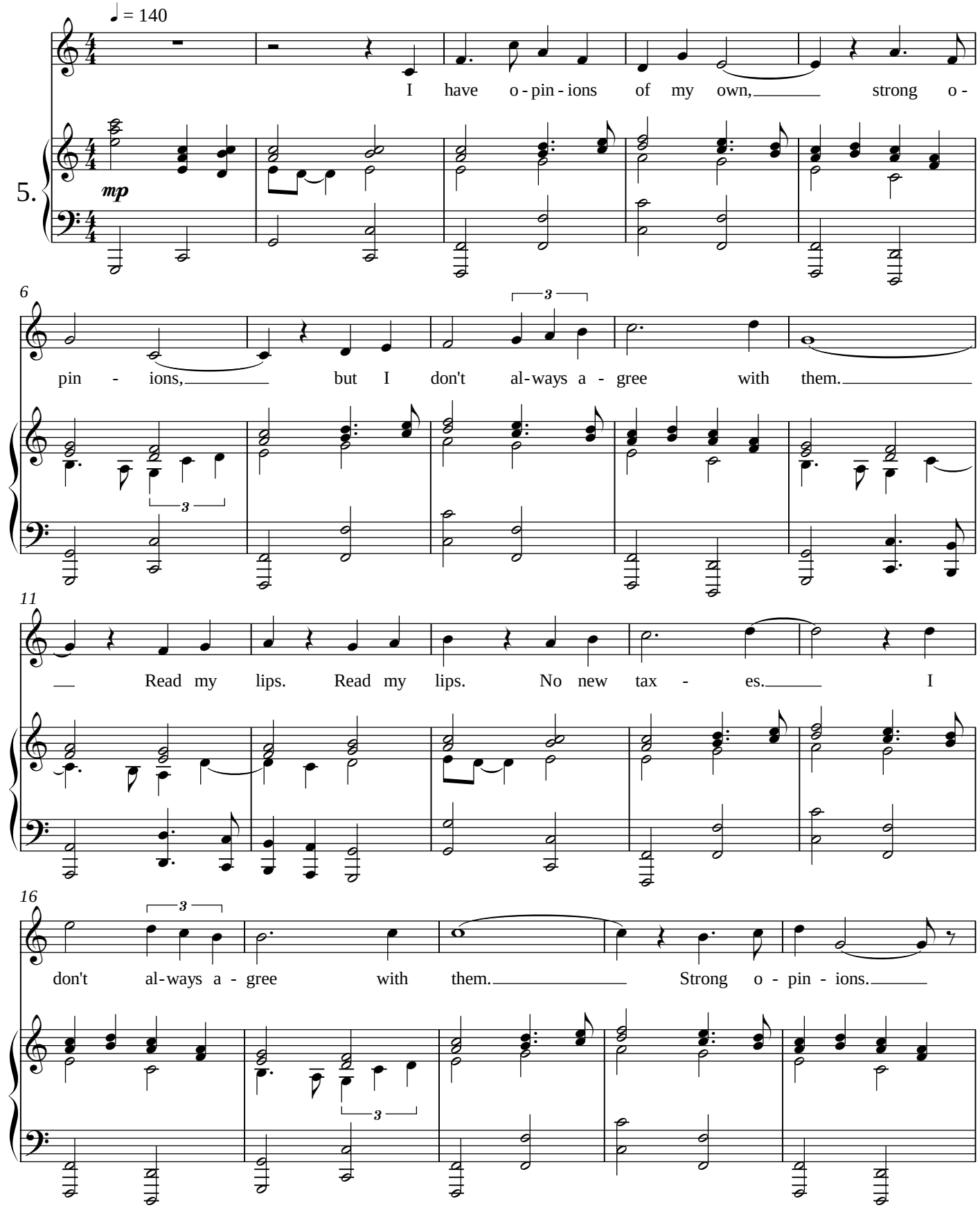
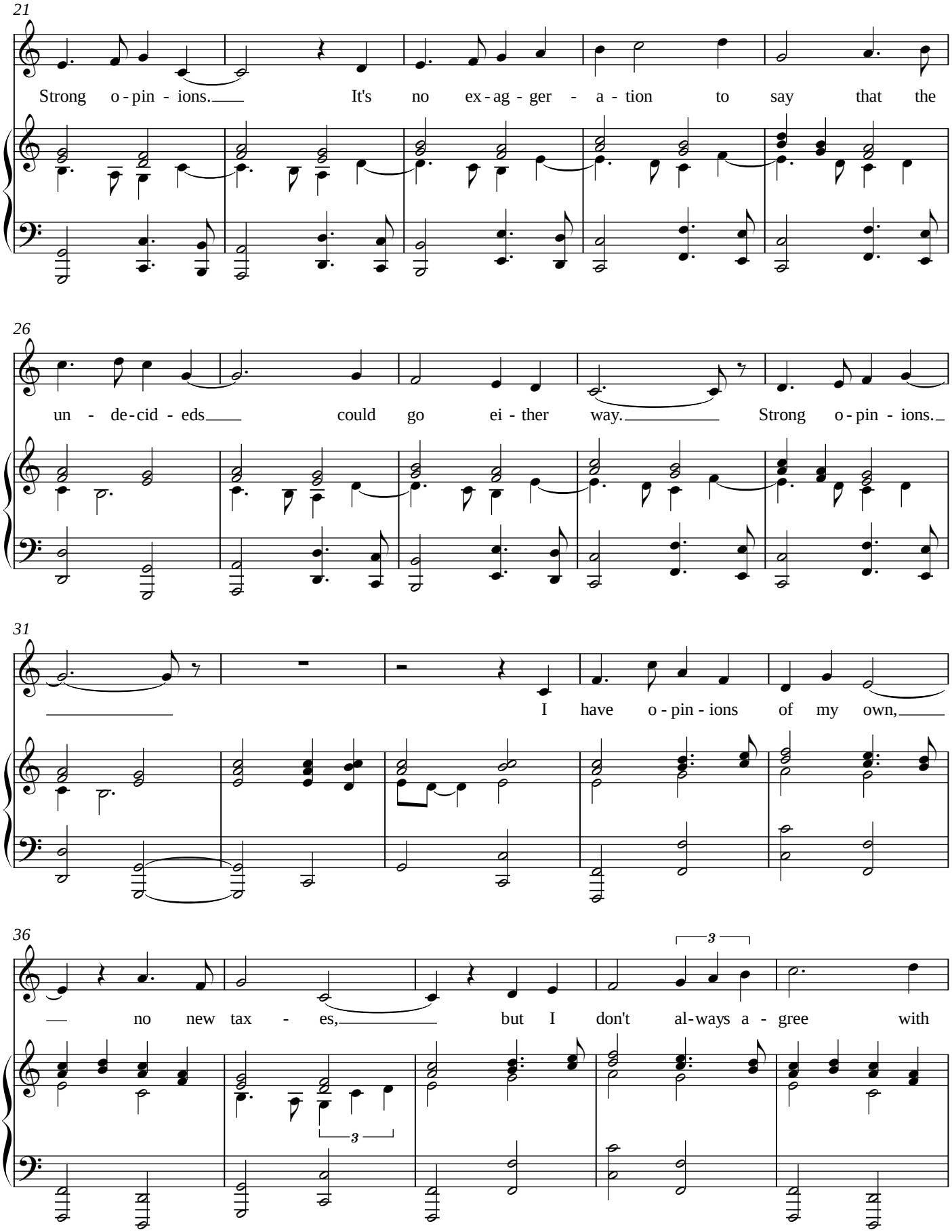
No Exaggeration

After quotes of George Herbert Walker Bush (b. 1924)




21
Strong o - pin - ions. It's no ex - ag - ger - a - tion to say that the
26
un - de - cid - eds could go ei - ther way. Strong o - pin - ions.
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I have o - pin - ions of my own,
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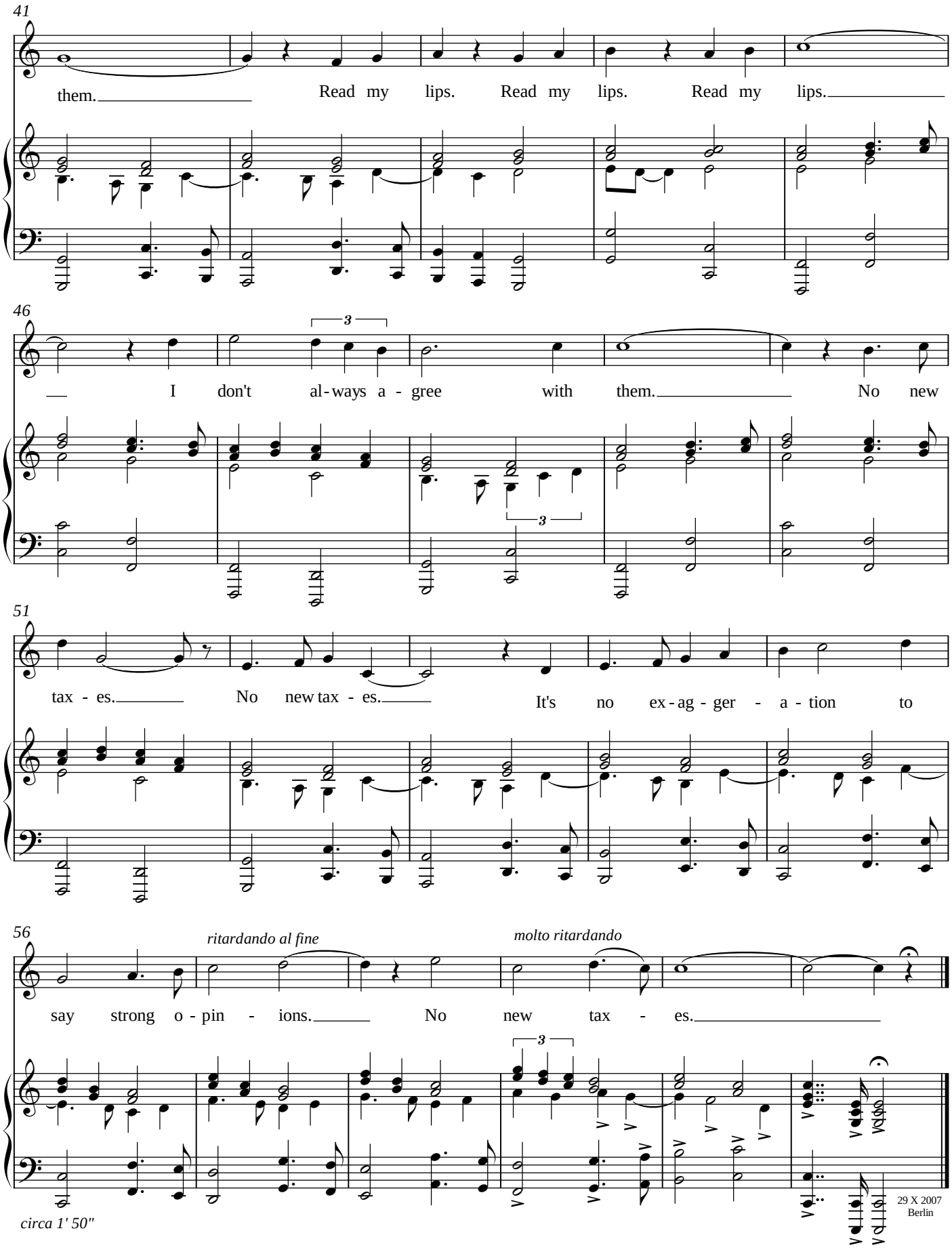
no new tax - es, but I don't al - ways a - gree with
3


41
them.
Read my lips. Read my lips. Read my lips.
46
I don't al-ways a-gree with them.
No new
51
tax-es.
No new tax-es.
It's no ex-ag-ger-a-tion to
56
ritardando al fine
molto ritardando
say strong o-pin-ions.
No new tax-es.
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It depends upon what the meaning of the word 'is' is

After quotes from William Jefferson Clinton

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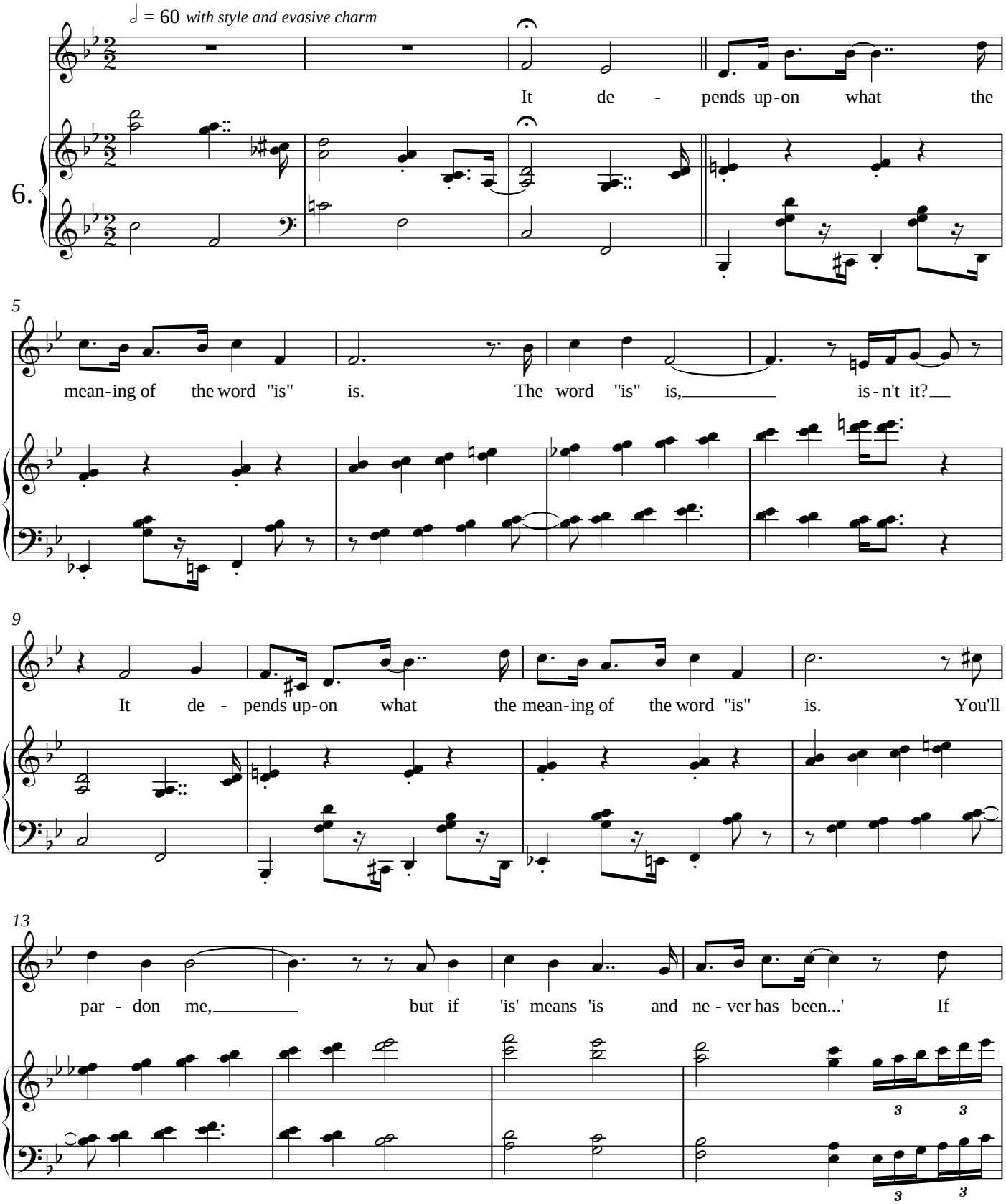

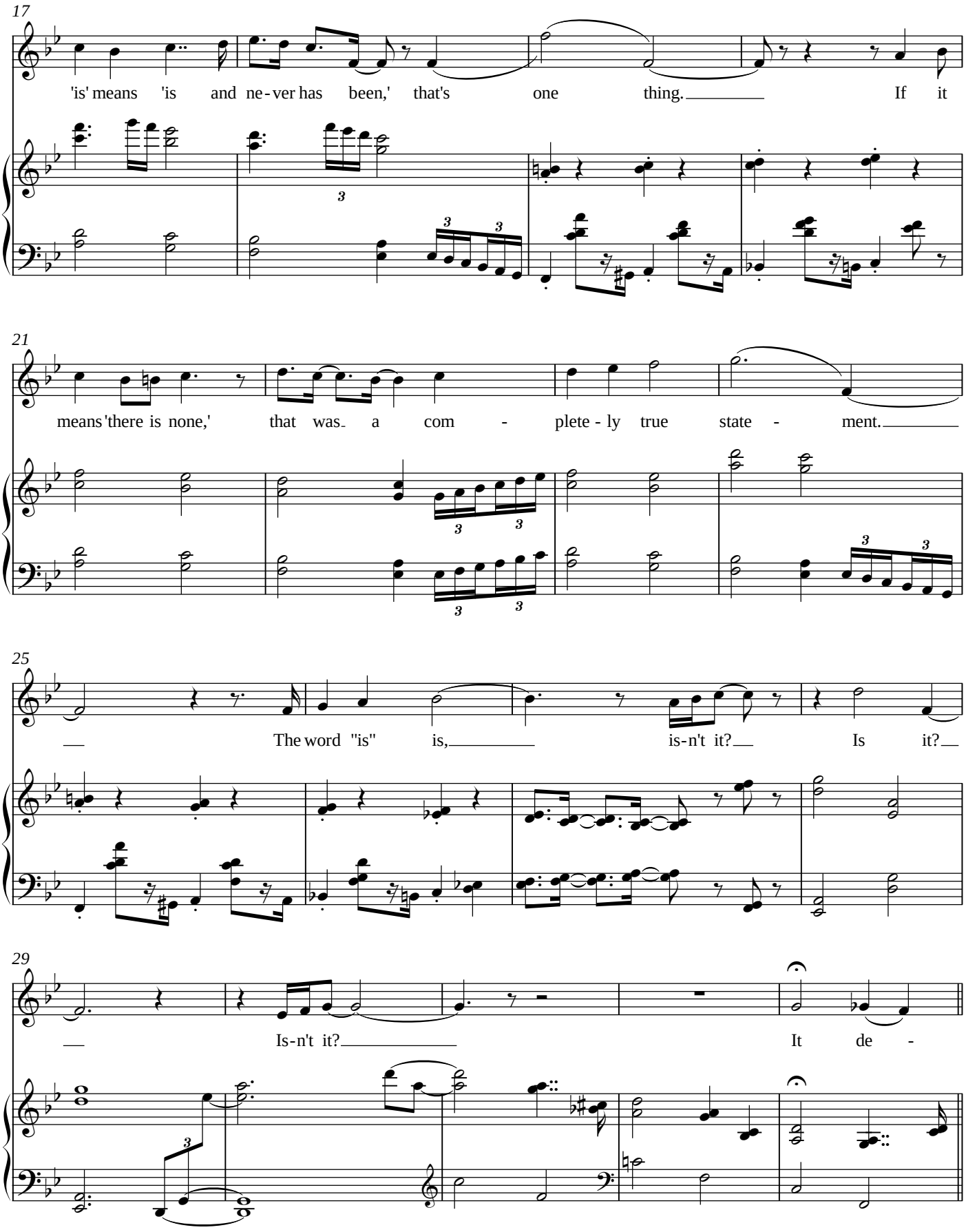
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'is' means 'is and ne - ver has been,' that's one thing. If it
21
means 'there is none,' that was a com - plete - ly true state - ment.
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The word "is" is, is-n't it? Is it?
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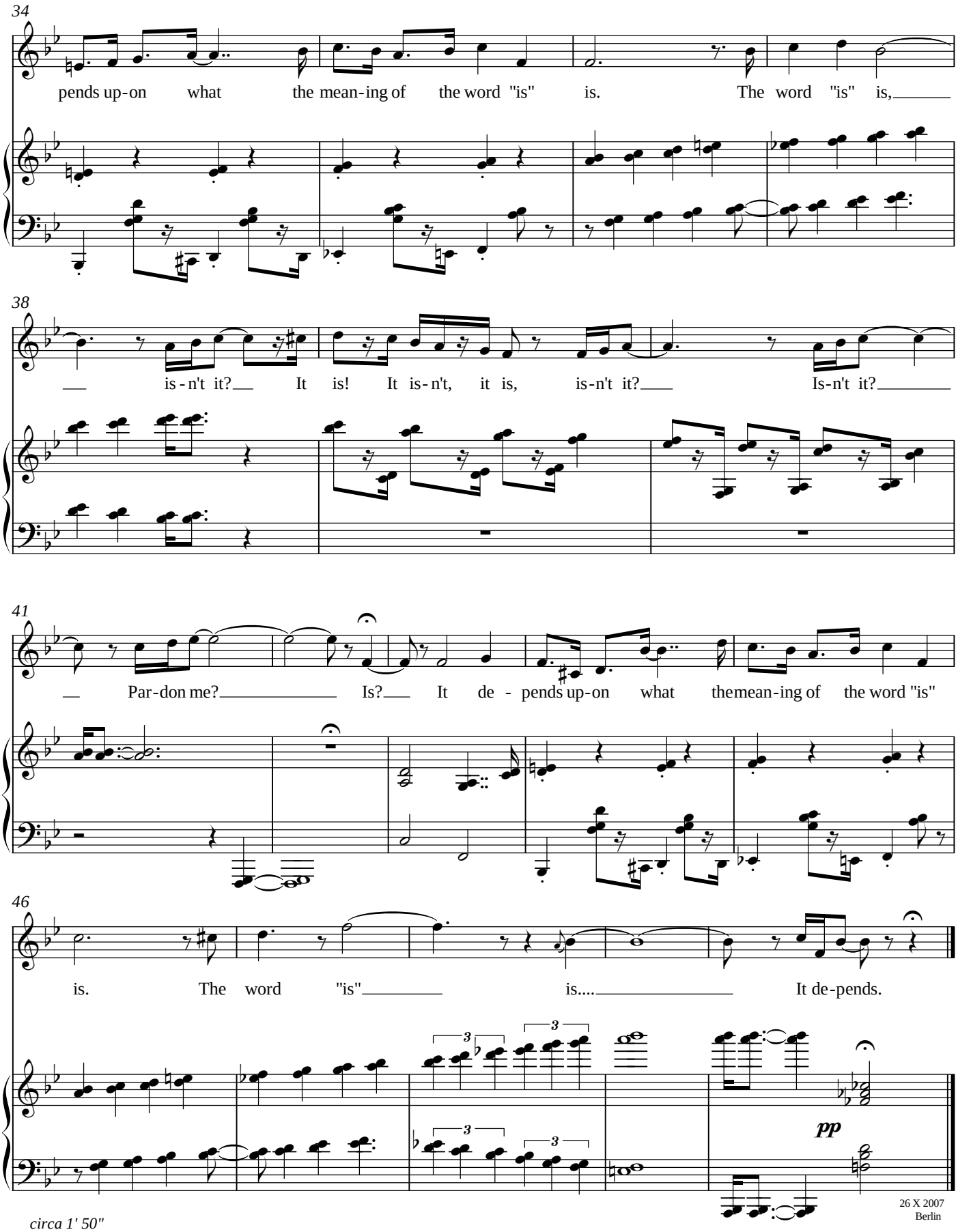
Is-n't it? It de -



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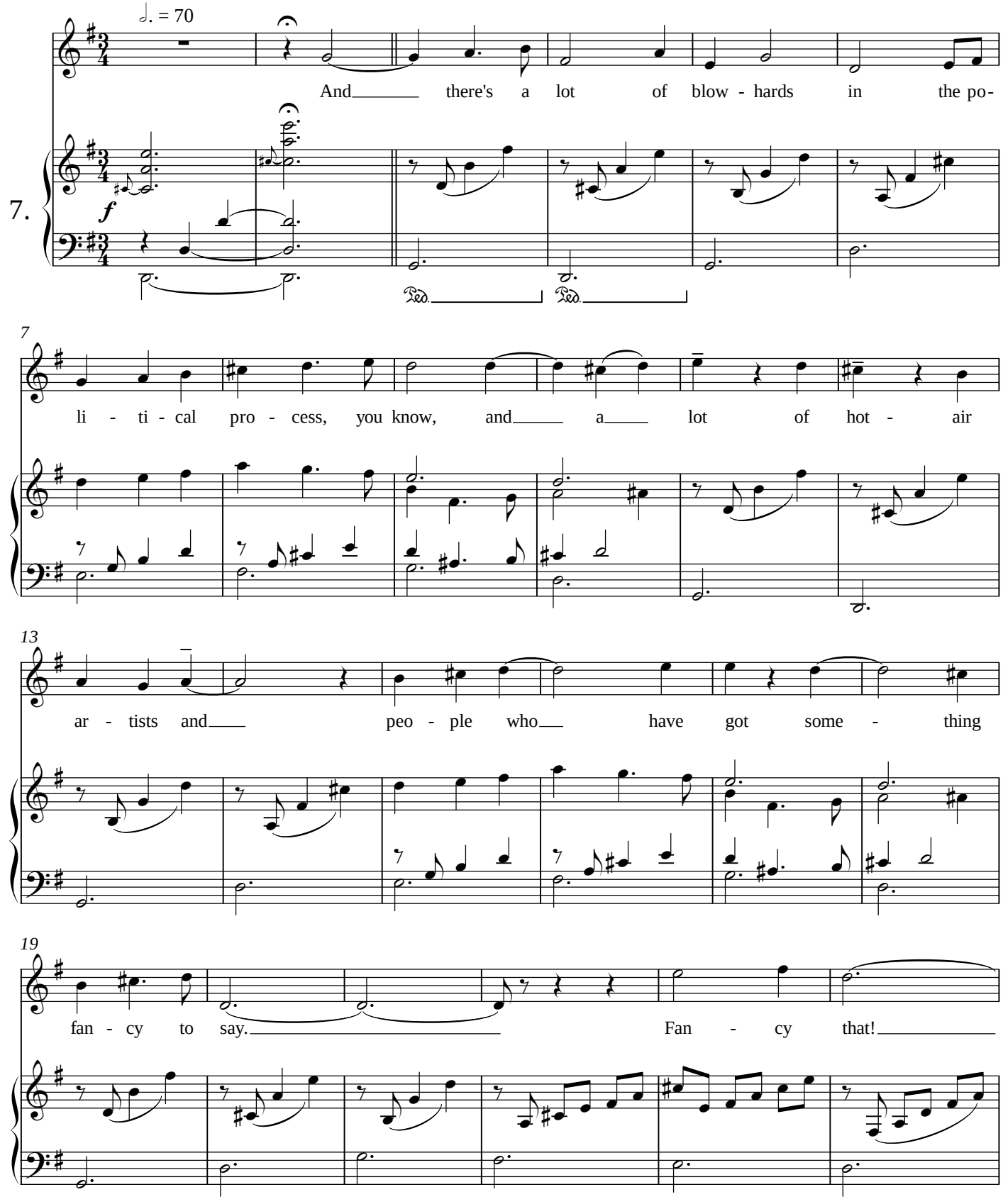
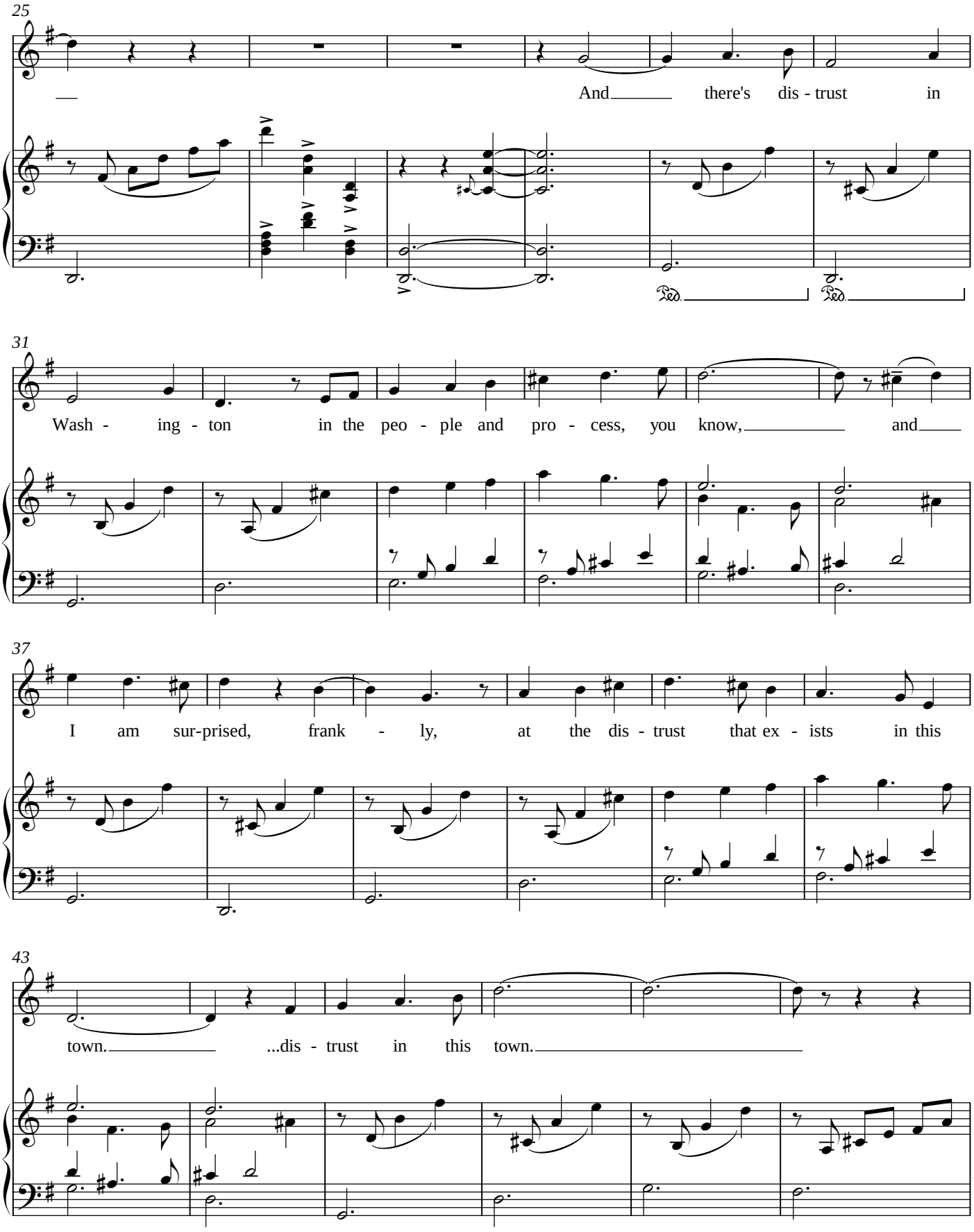
The Strategery

After quotes of George Walker Bush (1946-)

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And there's dis - trust in
31
Wash - ing - ton in the peo - ple and pro - cess, you know, and
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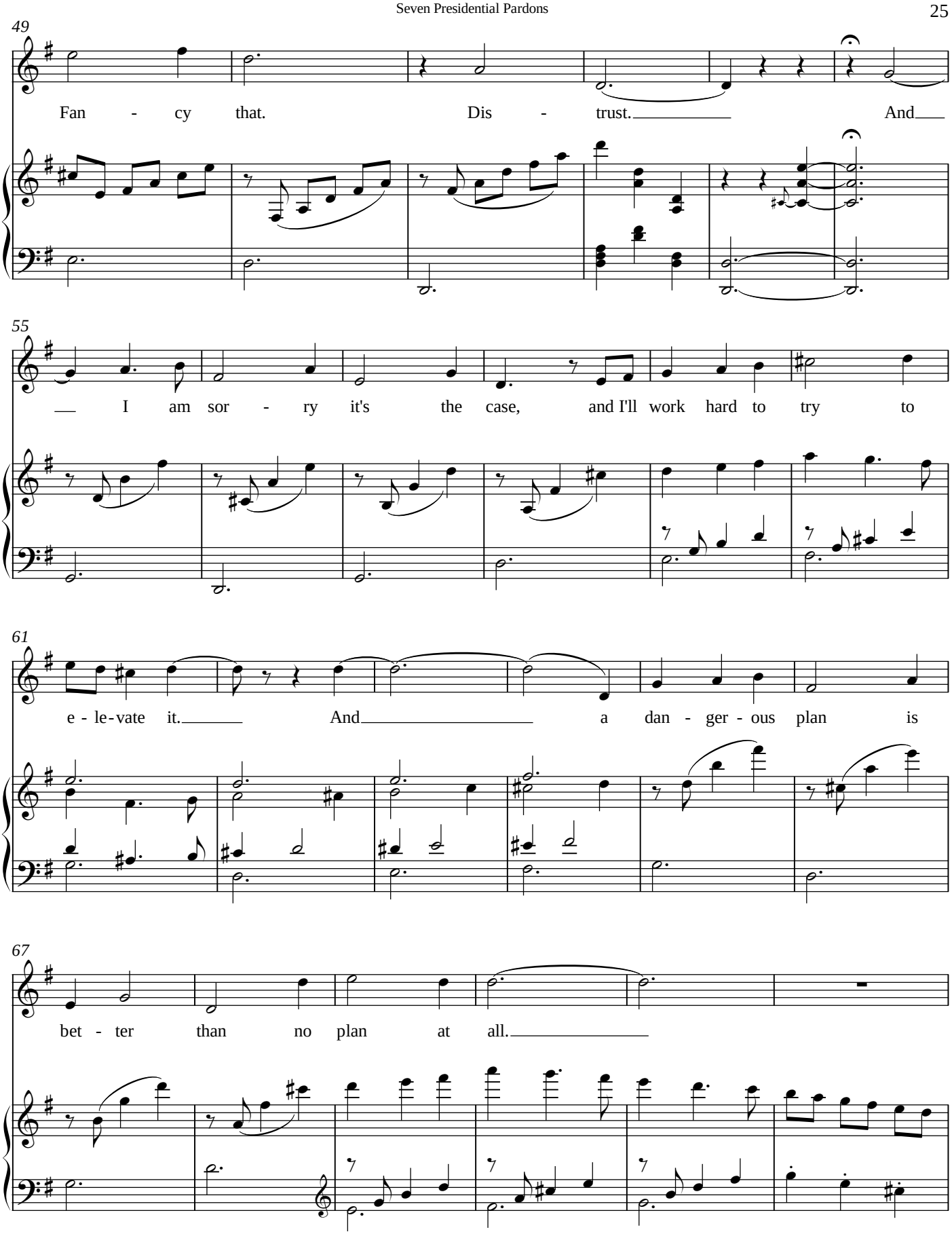
I am sur-prised, frank - ly, at the dis - trust that ex - ists in this
43
town. ...dis - trust in this town.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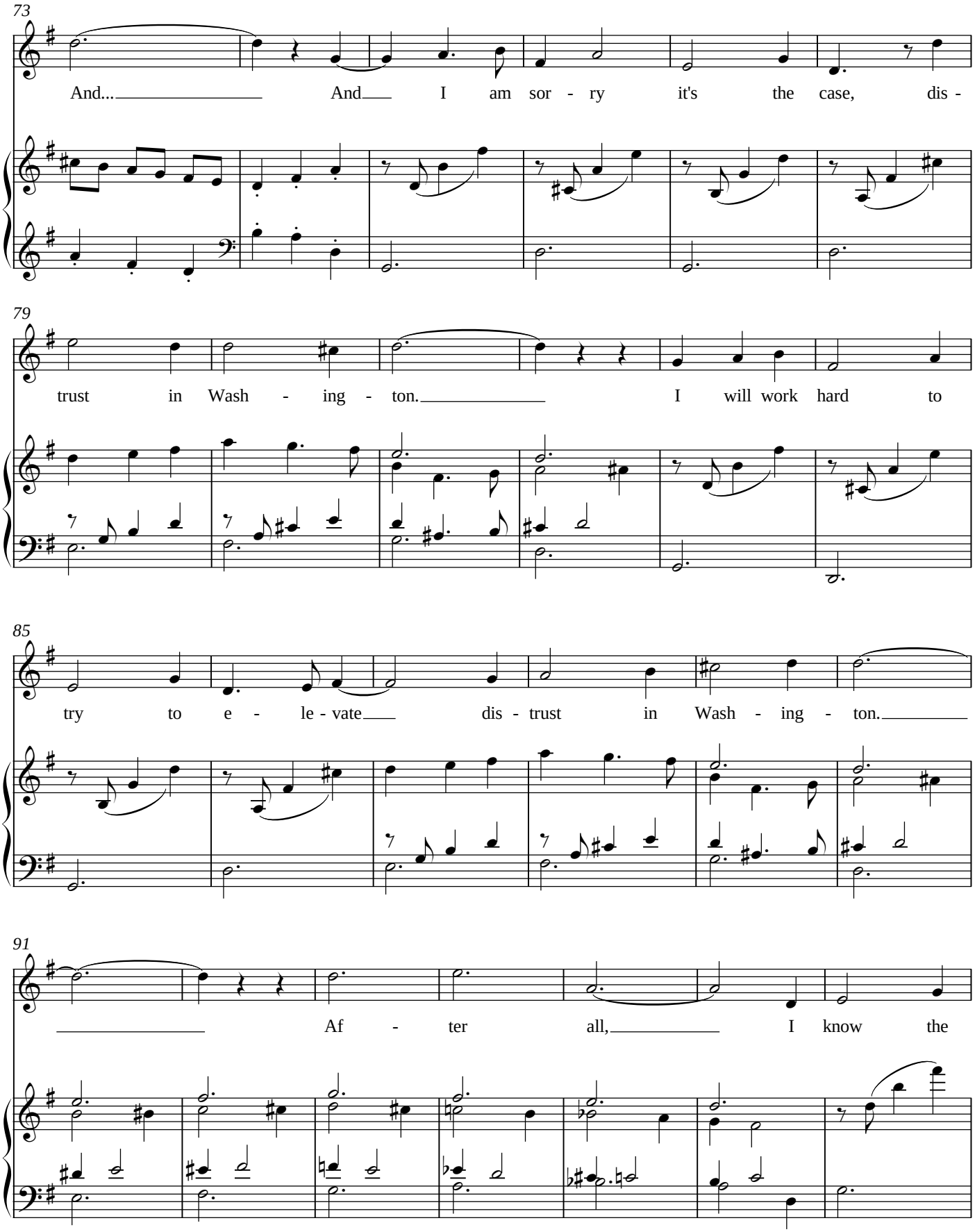
Fan - cy that. Dis - trust. And
55
I am sor - ry it's the case, and I'll work hard to try to
61
e - le - vate it. And a dan - ger - ous plan is
67
bet - ter than no plan at all.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And... And I am sor - ry it's the case, dis -
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trust in Wash - ing - ton. I will work hard to
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try to e - le - vate dis - trust in Wash - ing - ton.
91
Af - ter all, I know the

98

hu - man be - ing and fish can co - ex - ist peace - ful - ly.

104

And

110

there's a lot of blow - hards in the po - li - ti - cal pro - cess, you

116

see. Hon - est - ly! Par - don me!

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