

## **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

by the dawn's early light  
broad stripes & bright—  
star spangled shotguns for kids  
star spangled stable careers building bombs  
star spangled sweatshops making low-price plastics  
star spangled tariffs on tariffs on tariffs  
star spangled lunatic blood-soaked genocide  
—the rockets' red glare!  
star spangled abandoned decrepit housing projects  
star spangled bankrupt foreclosure of dream homes  
star spangled cops beating homeless seeking sleep  
star spangled bipartisan laughing clowns  
—gallantly streaming!  
star spangled insatiable bloodsucking capitalists  
—so proudly we hailed!  
star spangled stale \$20 sandwich  
star spangled part-time slave wage no benefits  
star spangled drone strikes for bad guys  
—bombs bursting in air!  
star spangled tear-gassed shrieking protestors  
star spangled drill baby drill!  
star spangled oops another oil spill!  
star spangled intoxicating diesel exhaust clouds  
star spangled bullshit jobs that pay  
—proved through the night!

star spangled imperial wet dreams  
star spangled slobbering world-conquerors  
star spangled take Canada now!  
—the perilous fight!  
star spangled death to all natives  
star spangled at least it's them not me  
star spangled money money money  
star spangled ER debts unpayable  
star spangled less expensive to die!  
—twilight's last gleaming!  
star spangled 10¢ flag from the sweatshop  
star spangled surprise deportation raids  
—blood washed foul footsteps pollution!  
star spangled sports-cast performative democracy  
star spangled endless appetitive entertainments!  
—fireworks, rockets, bombs! bursting! red, white & blue!  
star spangled free speech just don't disagree!

say ...

say does that banner yet ... ?

o'er the land of fees

& home of graves ?

(...this? un-American?)

the flag is still there!

—in triumph shall wave!